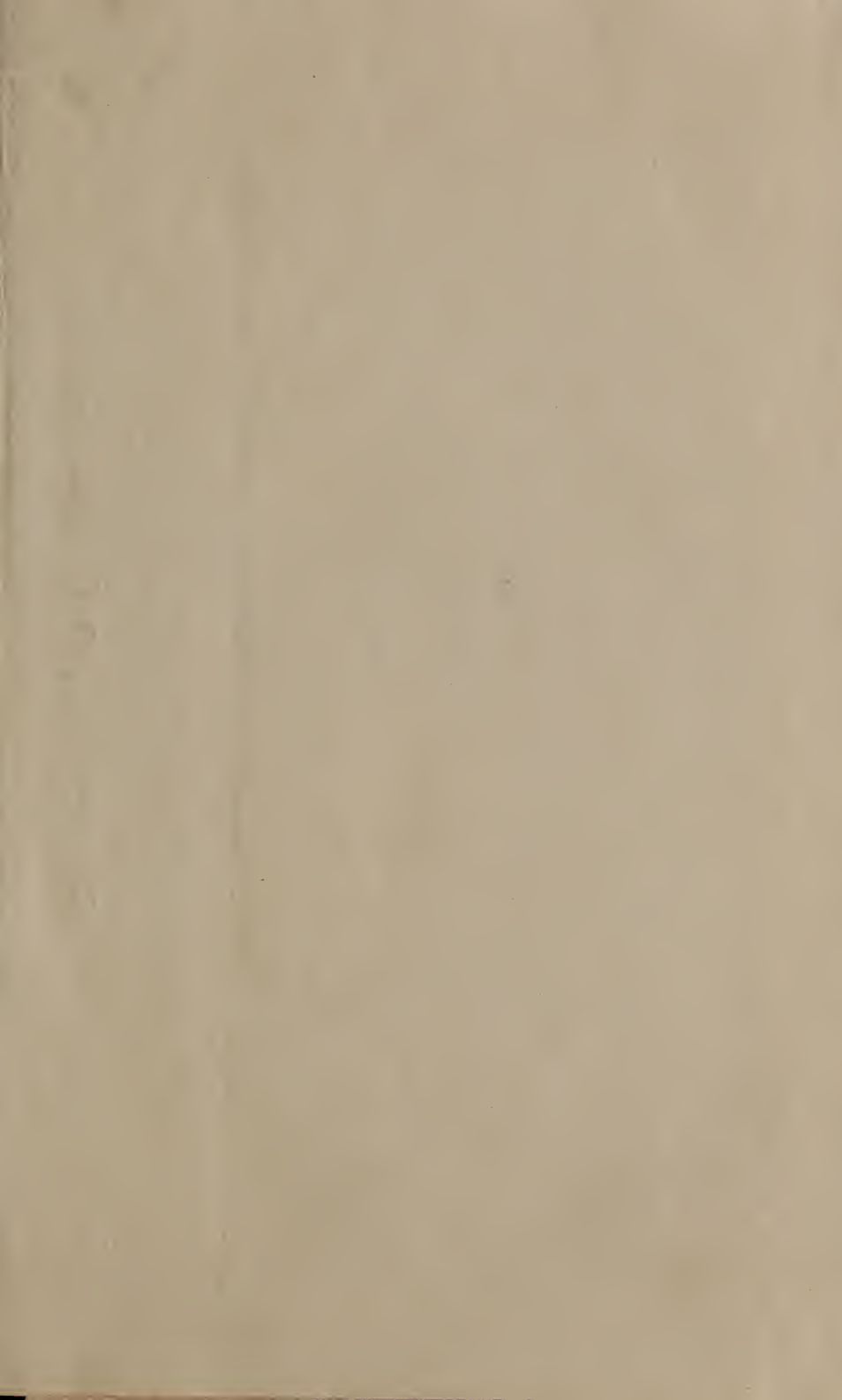




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BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

The General Assembly of 1871 directed "That as the rate of expenditure is measurably uniform throughout the year, no one month be designated for taking up collections for Home Missions; but that each church designate for itself the month that will bring most to the treasury of the Board, and in no case fail of an annual contribution." See Minutes 1871, page 575.

SUSTENTATION.

The month of March for sustentation. Such has been the order and the practice for many years; so that it can hardly be necessary to remind our readers of it. As sustentation comes to be better understood, in its provisions and limitations, it works more smoothly and satisfactorily.

The synods of New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania are still engaged in an effort to modify the scheme to make it embrace all the home missionary work in their respective bounds. Nothing will be concluded before the fall meetings in 1886. Meanwhile the work goes forward in these and other states, and we hope all the churches will promptly gather and forward their contributions to keep the work in healthy and successful operation.

WHAT A SYNODICAL MISSIONARY DOES.

BY REV. T. C. KIRKWOOD.

COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO.

As the close of this quarter is at hand, I set about making my report. It has been the busiest quarter, in many respects, I have ever passed through since I entered this work. I have made 31 visits to churches, held 38 week-day business meetings with sessions or trustees, or both, preached 29 sermons, made 14 missionary addresses, visited 13 Sabbath-schools and 17 day mission-schools. I have travelled 6248 miles, and have written 548 letters. My expenses have been \$176.35. The latter are a little heavier than usual, because I have spent the most of last month and this in New Mexico, where I have to pay far more than in other parts of my field.

A CONTINUAL BLESSING.

BY REV. R. D. SCOTT.

CHICAGO, ILLS.

In presenting my third quarterly report, I first of all wish you to join with me in thanks to God. God has been with us, and we have had a continual blessing. The attendance at Sabbath services has been good. The attention paid by the auditors has been excellent in every way. We have received into the church membership ten persons. We began meetings during the week of prayer, and had a surprisingly-large attendance on Tuesday evening. On Wednesday evening numbers and interest were doubled; but when I went home after the meeting I took a violent illness, and was barely able to appear in my pulpit on Sabbath morning. The meetings stopped, and none have been attempted since. We have arranged, however, to hold a solid week's meetings next week, preceding the Lord's Supper, and I hope we may be greatly blessed. The session will visit every household represented in membership, and considerable general visiting will be done, and we hope to have the Spirit use us to arouse his Church.

MISSIONARY CONVENTIONS.

BY REV. M. C. BAILEY.

FAIRCHANCE, PA.

I must confess to a great deal of surprise and disappointment when I read in the *Home Missionary* that the series of conventions was completed so far as Pennsylvania is concerned. What about western Pennsylvania? It needs just such inspiration as missionary officers and workers can give it. Neither is this all. The Board will not know the whole of mission work in the state until it comes here. Perhaps there is not a greater or more important field under the care of the Board than is to be found in our Connellsville (coke) region. Some of our brethren are doing work that compares favorably with the work of the pioneers of Old Redstone. Your appeal to Christian laymen to go out and organize prayer-meetings and Sabbath-schools made my heart ache. We see destitution everywhere, but we have not got the workers. Some of our brethren were expecting and planning for a convention. We want it badly. A visit here would do the Board good.

HOME MISSIONS AS SEEN FROM A FOREIGN LAND.

YOKOHAMA, JAPAN, JANUARY 6, 1886.

O. D. EATON, Esq., *Treasurer*.

Dear Sir:—Enclosed I send a check on Gilman, Son & Co., No. 62 Cedar Street, for \$150 for the Home Missionary Board. Let it be credited in your list from "A friend in Japan."

Please have the *Presbyterian Home Missionary* sent to me regularly by mail. If there is anything extra to pay for it please let me know. I take great interest in the Christian work at home. I think it is a harder field, against more powerful enemies and greater difficulties than even the work in this land.

Faithfully yours,

A REVIVAL BEGINNING IN AN ACADEMY.

BY REV. JOHN M'LEAN.

SALIDA, COLO.

The work opens grandly here. The Lord is blessing us abundantly. Within less than two months the academy has grown from 26 students to 37 students, and the church from 27 members to 35 members. The first Sabbath in January we received three by letter and six on confession. The congregations are growing rapidly; we are already straitened for room. In our academy was the first conversion in a revival movement which is already affecting powerfully the entire community. Union preaching services every week-day evening but one; noonday prayer-meetings in the heart of the city every day; children's meeting Saturday afternoon. Many are asking, "What must I do to be saved?"

HOME MISSION APPOINTMENTS FOR JANUARY, 1886.

Rev. Edwin Hall, Canoga,	N. Y.	Rev. R. H. Fulton, Delano, Maple Plain and Long Lake,	Minn.
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Rev. S. G. Hair, Bartow,	"	Rev. W. E. Kimball, Madison,	"
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Rev. J. Rodgers, Farmington, Vermilion and Empire,	"		
Rev. W. B. Williams, Oronoco and Chester,	"		

RECEIPTS FOR HOME MISSIONS IN JANUARY, 1886.

- ATLANTIC.—*East Florida*—Eustis, 12 50
BALTIMORE.—Baltimore—Baltimore Aisquith St. Sab-sch., 10; Boundary Ave., Henry D. Harvey, 175; Broadway Sab-sch. (pastor's class, 4 50), 5 75; Brown Memorial (Mrs. Peyton Harrison, 50, L. H. M. S., 125), 175; Lafayette Sq., 52 27; Bel Air Sab-sch., 15; Piney Creek, 15; Relay, 25; Williamsport, 10 31.
Washington City—Darnestown Sab-sch., 15; Hyattsville Sab-sch., 30; Washington 1st, 64 11; 4th (Y. P. M. S., 300), 346; North, 2 52; Westminster, 64; Rev. J. E. Nourse, 12 50. 1017 46
COLORADO.—Boulder—Longmont Central, 31 25; Valmont, 1 23. *Denver*—Denver Central, 75. *Santa Fé*—El Rito, 5; Las Cruces, 50; Mora, 8 60. 171 08
COLUMBIA.—*Idaho*—Weston, 11 50. *Oregon*—Ashland, 10; Jacksonville, 1; Phenix, 1; Pleasant Grove, 10; Portland 1st, 485 56; Calvary, 7 65; Roseburg, 4 20. *Puget Sound*—Sumner, 8 45; Carbonado, 5. 615 36
DAKOTA.—*Aberdeen*—Hudson, 6; Port Emma, 4 10. *Central Dakota*—Brookings, 12; Colman, 2. *Southern Dakota*—Canton, 7; Hope Chapel, 5; Bohemian 1st, 2 50; Alexandria, 5. 43 60
ILLINOIS.—*Alton*—Carlyle, Children's Band, 11 35; Greenville, 1; Steeleville, 2 15; Sugar Creek, 1 70; Trenton, 2 15. *Bloomington*—Clarence, 8; Tolono, 29; Rev. Samuel Wilson, D.D., 5. *Cairo*—Alto Pass, 2; Cobden, 8; Flora, 7 66; Tamaroa, 20; Rev. J. S. Davis, 1 66. *Chicago*—Bloom, 34; Braidwood, 5; Chicago 4th, @ 225; Jefferson Park, 188 65; Englewood, 72; Gardner, 9 75; Libertyville, 3 74; Wilmington, 13 70; Rev. R. Frame, 10. *Freeport*—Oregon, 40. *Mattoon*—Assumption, 3 15; Charleston, 27 70. *Ottawa*—Grand Ridge, 14 25; Rochelle, 20. *Peoria*—Lewistown, 30; Yates City, 16 50. *Rock River*—Aledo Sab-sch., 7 50. *Schuyler*—Mt. Sterling Sab-sch., 21; Oquawka, 15. *Springfield*—Jacksonville Westminster Sab-sch., 11 20; Springfield 1st, 23 82. 891 63
INDIANA.—*Crawfordsville*—Crawfordsville 1st, 8; Darlington, 6 26; Frankfort, 61; Sugar Creek, 6. *Fort Wayne*—Decatur, 7 02. *Indianapolis*—Columbus Sab-sch., 1 55. *Muncie*—Muncie Sab-sch., 1 30; Wabash, 6 16. *New Albany*—Jeffersonville Sab-sch., 10; Laconia, 2; Madison 2d, 27; Mauckport, 75 cts.; New Albany 2d, 32 15; Rehoboth, 4; Sharon, 1; Valley City, 1 25. *Vincennes*—Evansville Walnut St., 35 50; Howesville, 2 50. 213 44
IOWA.—*Cedar Rapids*—Anamosa, 3 20; Vinton, 6. *Council Bluffs*—Corning, 50; Council Bluffs, 46 50. *Des Moines*—Moulton, 5 12; South 1st Des Moines, 5. *Dubuque*—Waukon, 15. *Fort Dodge*—Calliope (Busy Bees, 18), 29; Meriden, 18 50; Marcus, 4; Sac City (Sab-sch.), 5, 30. *Iowa*—Keokuk Westminster, 20 14; Middletown, 2 47; Morning Sun, 49. *Iowa City*—Crawfordsville, 5; Oxford, 6; Washington, 13 93. *Waterloo*—Grundy Centre Sab-sch., 5; Janesville, 10; Marshaltown, 18 53. 342 39
KANSAS.—*Emporia*—Burlington, 13 07; Caldwell, 7 50; Calvary, 2 50; Dexter, 2 50; Maple City, 2 25; Prairie Ridge, 2 25; Rev. N. A. Rankin, 2. *Highland*—Hiawatha Sab-sch., 7; Highland, 19; Washington, 12 48. *Indian Territory*—Pheasant Hill, 5. *Neosho*—Columbus, 3 21; Independence Sab-sch. (Christmas dime offering, 4 10), 12 24; Kingston, 3. *Osborne*—Victoria, 3. *Solomon*—Ashton, 3 70; Blue Stem, 1 10; Lincoln, Blue Ribbon Mission Band, 5; Salina, 44; Scandia, 3 65; Scotch Plains, 3; Vesper, 2 35; Pinon, 1 05. *Topeka*—Edgerton, 7; Vineland, 9; Willow Springs, 4 75. 201 05
KENTUCKY.—*Ebenezer*—Covington 1st, 234 85; Frankfort, 42 07. *Louisville*—Powee Valley, 8; Princeton 1st, 20. 304 92
MICHIGAN.—*Detroit*—Brighton, 5; Detroit 1st, 450; Fort St., 692; Westminster, 193 17; Saline, 2 20; Ypsilanti, 50. *Grand Rapids*—Grand Rapids Westminster, 31 08; Greenwood, 5 70. *Kalamazoo*—Buchanan, 5 15; Kendall, 10; White Pigeon, 38 94. *Lansing*—Concord, 14 31; Mason, 40; Oueda, 8. *Monroe*—Blissfield, 5. *Saginaw*—Bay City, 50; Marlette, 14. 1614 55
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- cote, 3. *St. Paul*—Belle Plaine Sab-sch., 2 50; Minneapolis 1st, 257 22; Bethlehem, 11 82; Franklin Ave., 15 50; Westminster, 320 21; St. Paul Fort St., 21 30. *Winona*—Kassou, 11 15; Winoua Ger., 20. 744 95
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NEBRASKA.—*Hastings*—Edgar, 5; Verona, 5. *Kearney*—Buffalo Grove, 2. *Nebraska City*—Alexandria, 9; Bennett, 12; Fairmont, 12; Hickman Ger., 4. *Omaha*—Creston, 4; Humphrey, 3 50. 56 50
NEW JERSEY.—*Elizabeth*—Clinton, L. M. Sewing Soc., 35; Cranford Sab-sch., 20; Woodbridge West, 10. *Jersey City*—Rutherford 1st, Young Men's Miss. Soc., 35. *Monmouth*—Cream Ridge, 6; Farmingdale, 20. *Morris and Orange*—Boonton, 75; Chester (Sab-sch., 15), 75; Dover, 72 62; Morris Plains, 5; Orange Bethel, 32 25; Pleasant Valley Ger., 6; Rockaway Union Sab-sch., 4 20; Mountain Sab-sch., 2 10. *Newark*—Montclair M. C. C. 34 89; Newark Calvary, 29 34; Park, 88 28; Miss Meeker's Alaska Band, Newark, N. J., 18. *New Brunswick*—Lawrence, 60; Princeton 2d, part, 20; Trenton 2d, 23 27. *Newton*—Andover, 2 55; Belvidere 1st, 166 50; Danville, 53; Greenvich, 9 50; North Hardiston, Hamburg Sab-sch., 4; Stillwater (Sab-sch., 2), 20; Yellow Frame, 5 47. *West Jersey*—Bridgeton 1st, 160; 2d Sab-sch., 22 68; Greenwich, 39 76; May's Landing, 5; Salem Sab-sch., 114 27; Woodbury, 50. 1324 68
NEW YORK.—*Albany*—Albany 2d, 288 69; State St., 170 96; Ballston Centre, 23; Ballston Spa Sab-sch., 12 55; Broadalbin, 4; Voorheesville, 2. *Binghamton*—Binghamton 1st, 94 43; Cortland Sab-sch., 100. *Boston*—South Ryegate, 4 56. *Brooklyn*—Brooklyn Classon Ave., @ 10; Lafayette Ave. (M. C. C.), 43 72; 199 72; Throop Ave., 63; Westminster, 362 65; South 3d St. E. D., Ger. Miss. Sab-sch., 89 98. *Buffalo*—Buffalo Breckenridge St. Sab-sch., 4; Lafayette St., 29 92; North, 54 23; Westminster, 60 83. *Cayuga*—Aurora, 75 53; Ithaca (Sab-sch. Christmas offering, 40 62), 538 62. *Champlain*—Rev. C. E. Fay, 5. *Chester*—North Elmira Sab-sch. Christmas offering, 10. *Columbia*—Durham 1st Sab-sch., 6 09; Valatie, C. F. Davis, 25. *Genesee*—Attica, 68 53; Bergen (Sab-sch., 11), 48; Elba, 20; Pike, 20. *Genewa*—Canandaigua (Sab-sch., 16 70), 33 14; Gorham, 18; Pen Yan, 43; Seneca Sab-sch., 10 75; Waterloo, 50. *Hudson*—Cochecton, 6; Haverstraw Central and Sab-sch., 50; Middletown 2d, 21 49; Milford, 5; Nyack, 10 20; Washingtonville 1st, 50. *Long Island*—Bridgehampton, 15; Brookfield, 2 68; Greenport, 17. *Lyons*—Palmyra, 102 62. *Nassau*—Astoria, 14; Mellville, 10. *New York*—New York Allen St. Sab-sch., 5; Brick Ch. Chapel, 47 06; Canal St., 6 36; Fifth Ave., @ 50; 1st, 1161 94; 4th, 240; Madison Square, 2576 35; Phillips, 180; Rev. Charles Jewett Collius, 25. *North River*—Amenia South, 46 41; Mattewan, 17 62; Pleasant Valley (Sab-sch., 7), 9; Westminster, 3 10; The Lord's tithe, 15. *Ontario*—Dellhi 1st, 50; New Berlin, 7 20; Oneonta, 41. *Rochester*—Avon Central, 14; Honeoye Falls (Sab-sch., 16), 51 25; Lima, 24 63; Mount Morris Sab-sch., 12, two individuals, 1=13; Ogden Sab-sch., 25; Rochester Brick, 200; Central (Sab-sch. class 5), 52 50; Westminster Sab-sch., 11 71; Webster, Mrs. Joseph Middleton, 3. *St. Lawrence*—Dexter, 13; Gouverneur, 78; Morristown, 9; Watertown Stone St., 55. *Steuben*—Arkport, 7 22; Bath, 40; Painted Post (Sab-sch., 18 63), 37 63. *Syracuse*—Cazenovia, 100; Syracuse Park L. H. M. S., bequest of Mrs. Julia M. Willets, 100. *Troy*—Lansingburgh Olvet, 65 38; Mechanicsville, 23; Troy 2d, Irwin Mission Band, 25; Mt. Ida Memorial, 14 89. *Utica*—Vernon, 44; Wolcott Memorial, 25. *Westchester*—Bethany, 27; Bridgeport 1st, Mrs. Mygatt, 10; Huguenot Memorial, 5; South Salem, 66; Stamford 1st (T. G. Rich's Sab-sch. class, 10), 311 13. 8782 45
OHIO.—*Athens*—Athens Sab-sch., 25; New Plymouth, 10; Pomeroy, 13 46. *Bellefontaine*—Bellefontaine, 7 94; Urbana, 4. *Chillicothe*—Pisgah, 35 35. *Cincinnati*—Bethel Sab-sch., 8; Cincinnati 2d, 241 68;

8d, 17; Walnut Hills, 580 11; College Hill, 3; Glendale, 55; Mason and Pisgah, 2 20; Montgomery sab-sch., 23 66; Pleasant Ridge, 25 27; Fontana, 24 65. *Cleveland*—Ashtabula, 17 63. *Columbus*—Columbus Lodge, 15; Grove City, 2 63; Sciota, 4 58. *Dayton*—Camden, 5; Hamilton sab-sch., 8 59; Monroe, 6; New Jersey, 8 55. *Lima*—Lima Market St., 47 37; Sidney, 21 31. *Mahoning*—Brookfield, 5; Hubbard, 8; Vienna, 3; Youngstown 1st, 55 19. *Morim*—Delaware, 113; Mt. Gilead sab-sch., 10 49; West Berlin, 2 50. *Maumee*—Grand Rapids, 3; Milton Centre, 5; Paulding, 3 20; Weston, 4. *Portsmouth*—Manchester (sab-sch., 19), 34 70. *St. Clairsville*—Bellaire 1st, 40; Buffalo sab-sch., 30; Kirkwood, 35; Morrilstown, 6; Mt. Pleasant, 28 75; Rock Hill sab-sch., 5; Bannock, 3. *Steubenville*—Bakersville, 2 50; Bethel, 31 85; Hopedale, 6. *Wooster*—Berlin, 5; Clear Fork, 3; Congress, 3 05; Creston, 8 73; Fredericksburg, 5; Jackson, 24 86; Wooster Westminster, 34 50. *Zanesville*—Keene, 7; Muskingum Shannon sab-sch., 1 80; Newark 2d, 5. 1746 10

PACIFIC.—*Benicia*—Healdsburg, 53 cts. *Los Angeles*—San Buenaventura, 51; Santa Ana, 13 10; Tustin, 9 40. *Sacramento*—Bethel, 4; Carson City, 17; Fresno, 11; Red Bluff, 6 50; Selma, 8 45. *San Francisco*—Berkeley 1st, 20 85; Oakland 2d, 8 50; Walnut Creek, 10. *San José*—Hollister, 8; Livermore, 8; Los Gatos, 10; Plano, 2 60; Pleasanton, 7 15; Porterville, 5 50. 254 05

PENNSYLVANIA.—*Allegheny*—Allegheny McClure Ave., 52 50; Hilands, 7 54; Long Island, 4 45; New Salem, 2 65; Plains, 6; Sharpsburg, 49 93. *Blairstown*—Beulah, 50; Irwin, 25 03. *Butler*—Buffalo, 15; Harrisville, 6; Mt. Nebo, 6 80; Plain Grove, 18; Portersville, 8 27; Scrub Grass, 18; Summit, 5; Westminster, 21. *Carlisle*—Big Spring, 92 77; Chambersburg Falling Spring, 100; Gettysburg, 53 60; Robert Kennedy Memorial, 9; Monaghan, 17 78. *Chester*—Faggs Manor, 66 10. *Clarion*—Brookville (sab-sch., 15), 59 02; Oil City 2d, 17 46. *Erie*—Cambridge, 8; Erie Park, 200; Fairfield, 8; Gravel Run, 7; Harbor Creek, 4 50; Kerr's Hill, 6 15; Corry, 7; Mercer 1st, 37; Venango, 5. *Huntingdon*—Altoona 2d, 51 71; Bradford, 1; Hublersburg, 3 50; Kylerstown, 3 57; Lewistown, 49 34; Lick Run, 3 75; Lower Tuscarora, 33; Millintown, 119 65; Milesburg, 5 50; Orbisonia, 1 45; Osceola, 12; Shirleyburg, 5; Spring Creek, 34; Upper Tuscarora, 30 16; Woodland, 4 06. *Kittanning*—Bethesda, 5; Cherry Run, 6; Cherry Tree, 5; Freeport, 29 60; Kittanning, 153 47; Leechburg, 37. *Lackawanna*—Barclay, 1 60; Carbondale, 126 37; Harmony, 50; Monroeton, 15; Orwell sab-sch., 26 08; Plains, 3 50; Susquehanna, 12; Towanda (sab-sch., 170), 348 35; Wilkesbarre Memorial, 54 18. *Lehigh*—Allen Township, 40; Allentown, 17 24; Bangor, 12; Mahanoy City, 24 23; Mauch Chunk, 36 81; Pottsville 2d, 13; Reading 1st, 152 51. *Northumberland*—Chillisquaque, 39; Lewisburg (sab-sch., 35 50), 176; Millinburg, 2 50; Mooresburg, 16 16; Sunbury sab-sch., 40; Williamsport 2d, 26 81. *Philadelphia*—Philadelphia Calvary, "E. K. W.", 15; Mariner's, 7 28; Southwestern sab-sch., 8 53; Tabernacle, 129; Walnut St., M. C. C., 3 50; West Philadelphia, H-arsers and Doers Band, 50; Rev. N. Hebertson, 5. *Philadelphia Central*—Philadelphia Alexander, 129 89; Bethesda, 14 14; Kensington 1st, 10 03; Church of the Covenant, 40. *Philadelphia North*—Falls of Schuylkill sab-sch., 17; Frankford, 12 44; Manayunk, 30; Mt. Airy, 24 28. *Pittsburgh*—Bethany (sab-sch., 18 59), 54 09; Miller's Run, 13; Mingo, 25; Monongahela City sab-sch., 25; Mt. Olive, 9; McKee's Rock, 1 75; Pittsburgh Bellefield, @ 25; Grace Memorial, 1. *Redstone*—Laurel Hill sab-sch., 15; Pleasant Unity, 13 74; West Newton, John Markie, 1. *Shenango*—Little Beaver sab-sch., 12; Mahoning, 16; Newport, 10; Rich Hill, 7; Slippery Rock (sab-sch., 15), 30; Unity (sab-sch., 50), 58; Westfield, 161. *Washington*—Washington 1st, 41 95; Waynesburg, 18 52; Hollidays Cove sab-sch., 26 50; Prospect, 51. *Wellsboro*—Kane, 5. *Westminster*—Lancaster sab-sch., 16 67; Strasburg, 31. *West Virginia*—Elizabeth, 4; Gnatty Creek, 1 06; Morgantown, 14 20. 4352 62

TENNESSEE.—*Holston*—Mt. Bethel, 1. *Kingston*—Mt. Zion, @ 2; Piney Falls, 4; Rockwood, 1; Spring City, 4. *Union*—Strawberry Plains, 5. 17 00

TEXAS.—*Austin*—Austin, 64; Brenham, 10 60. 74 60
UTAH.—*Montana*—Helena, 5 79. *Utah*—Salt Lake City, 75. 80 79

WISCONSIN.—*Chippewa*—Phillips, 7. *La Crosse*—Neillsville sab-sch. birthday offering, 5. *Madison*—Platteville, 16; Reedsburg sab-sch. Christmas offering, 3 41. *Milwaukee*—Cambridge and Oakland, 10 36; Cedar Grove, 14 23; Holland, 17 24; Pike Grove sab-sch., 5 43; Wheatland Ger., 3 50. *Winnebago*—Merrill, 16. 98 17

Woman's Executive Committee H. M.... \$5,959 68
 Total from churches, January, 1886.... \$29,195 15

LEGACIES.

Legacy of Miss Nancy Keeler, dec'd, late of Lewisborough, N. Y., 500; John B. Jervis, dec'd, late of Rome, N. Y., 2000; Elisha Mills, dec'd, late of N. Y., 1000; Mary E. Butler, dec'd, late of Cincinnati, O., 2000; Mrs. Eliza G. Wallingford, dec'd, late of Pittsburgh, Pa., @ 2260 70; Balance of legacy of Rev. J. B. McDonnell, dec'd, late of Louisville, Ky., 213 54; Bequest of Mrs. Eliza M. Aldrich, dec'd, late of Pittsburgh, Pa., 50..... 8,024 24

MISCELLANEOUS.

Rev. W. A. Halliday, D.D., 25; "A. P.," proceeds of sale of silver plate, 28 90; "M. M. M.," 20; James Oliver, Graysville, Pa., 35; C. Arbutnot, Pittsburgh, Pa., 3000; Prof. R. C. Wilder, Greenfield, Ill., 2; Miss Eliza Wheaton, 10; Mrs. Rev. J. A. Buck, 5; "Mr. and Mrs. E.," 24; John Welsh Dulles, Philadelphia, Pa., 20; Family offering, 6 56; Miss "K. H.," 6; Mrs. E. Cockey, Baltimore, Md., 4; Miss C. A. Harmon, Fredonia, N. Y., 7; Miss Martha Clarke, Sharon, Wis., 10; A friend, Brooklyn, N. Y., 20; Dr. A. M. Bruen, N. Y., 100; Brooks Sayre, Summit, N. J., 30; Society of Missionary Inquiry of Auburn Theological Seminary, 22 45; Mrs. Jacob Decker, Stacyville, Iowa, 2; A friend in Washington city, 10; Society of Inquiry Union Theological Seminary, 15; From a friend in memory of Mrs. Mary Y. Taylor, 5; "M. B.," Cincinnati, Ohio, 10; "A. W. C., Jr.," to help out a little, 100; Mrs. A. W. McLean, Sushan, N. Y., 4; C. S. Ramsbury, Washington, D. C., 20; Harry B. Conklin, Amsterdam, N. Y., 6 78; "C. N. Y.," 12; J. D. Brown, Athens, O., 50; "C. H. M.," N. J., 6 16; J. W. Parks, Hunnewell, Kansas, 20; Geo. T. Harris and Sons, Philadelphia, Pa., 1200; Isaac E. Smith, New York, 50; Thomas Williams, Vernon, N. Y., 20; S. H. Willard, New York, 25; Students' Missionary Society of the Seminary of the Northwest, 18 26; "Cash," 12; Friend of Missions, Broome Co., N. Y., 500; J. R. Moore, Cincinnati, Ohio, 1; Religious Contribution Society Princeton Theological Seminary, 39 08; Mrs. Ella C. Miller, Springfield, N. J., 1 50; Adam Coon, Houston, Minn., 4; Bethlehem Union sab-sch., N. J., 11; Rev. T. Williston, 2 22; From a friend in Japan, 150; Lucy Pratt, 50 cts.; Mrs. S. E. Elliott, Fairbury, Ill., 5; Dr. J. Morgan, Ill., 3 25; Mrs. Ellen E. Wiggin, Los Angeles, Cal., 9; Rev. A. Donaldson, D.D., Elder Ridge, Pa., 500; Rev. Charles W. Maccarthy, Quincy, Dak., 5; Interest on Lyon Trust, 250; John C. Green Fund, 1430; Permanent Fund, 137 50; Interest on Legacy of Charles Wright, dec'd, late of E. Canton, Pa., 19..... \$8,030 16

Total received in January, 1886..... \$45,249 55

Total from April 1, 1885..... 354,056 66

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RECEIPTS FOR DEBT, JANUARY, 1886.

BALTIMORE.—*Baltimore*—Brown Memorial, Class G, 10 00
 COLUMBIA.—*Oregon*—Ashland, 8 55; Pleasant Grove, 18 55
 DAKOTA.—*Central Dakota*—Brookings, 5 00
 ILLINOIS.—*Ottawa*—Aurora, 1 50
 IOWA.—*Council Bluffs*—Marne, 4 28. *Des Moines*—Garden Grove, 4 53. *Fort Dodge*—Presbyterial collection, 15; Ida Grove, 7 10. *Iowa City*—Muscatine 1st sab-sch., 5, Presbyterial collection, 5 65. 41 56
 KANSAS.—*Solomon*—Salina, 37. *Topeka*—Manhattan sab-sch., Christmas offering, 25 50. 62 50
 MICHIGAN.—*Detroit*—Detroit Fort St., 158; Westminster, 130 86. *Monroe*—Blissfield (sab-sch., 3 60), 7. 295 86
 MINNESOTA.—*Pembina*—Westminster sab-sch., 10. 20 00
 MISSOURI.—*Platte*—Hackberry, 1. *St. Louis*—Kirkwood, 25. 26 00
 NEBRASKA.—*Kearney*—Central City, W. M. S. @, 5 00
 NEW JERSEY.—*Elizabeth*—Clinton, 53 25. *Morris and Orange*—Myersville Ger., 5. *Newark*—Newark Calvary, 5. *New Brunswick*—Pennington sab-sch., 25. 88 25
 NEW YORK.—*Boston*—Fall River, 10. *Buffalo*—Buffalo Westminster, 310 83. *Columbia*—Valatie, C. F. Davis, 25. *Genesee Valley*—Bradford 1st sab-sch., Christmas entertainment, 20. *Hudson*—Goodwill, Friends, 5. *Rochester*—Mt. Morris, 2, Individuals, 1. *St. Lawrence*—Oxbow sab-sch., 39 25. *Troy*—Schaghticoke sab-sch., 20. *Westchester*—Bridgeport sab-sch., 50; Stamford 1st, a member, 25. 506 03
 OHIO.—*Athens*—Pomeroy (Y. P. M. Soc., 10), 15. *Chillicothe*—Pisgah, 5; French, 5. *Cleveland*—Cleveland Case Ave., 140 30. *Columbus*—Columbus Hoge, 7. *Huron*—Fremont, 71. *Lima*—Sidney sab-sch., 10. *Portsmouth*—Sardinia, 5. *St. Clairsville*—Bellaire 1st,

20. *Steubenville*—Bethel, 5. *Zanesville*—Jefferson, 3; Keene, 4 30; Rev. W. D. Wallace and wife, a thank-offering, 25. 315 60
 PENNSYLVANIA.—*Buller*—North Liberty, 4. *Huntingdon*—Mt. Union, 8; Millfintown, 20; Bradford, 1; Kylertown, 1 50; Woodland, 1. *Lackawanna*—Troy, two of the Lord's debtors, 6. *Lehigh*—Catasauqu 1st, Miss K. McVicker Smith, 1 25. *Philadelphia*—Philadelphia South, Infant School, 21. *Philadelphia Central*—West Arch St., 12 50; Alexander, 47 05. *Pittsburgh*—Pittsburgh 1st, a lady, 25. *Redstone*—George's Creek, 2 50. *Shenango*—Westfield, 30. *Washington*—Prospect, 26. 206 80
 TENNESSEE.—*Union*—Rev. J. McNeal, 5 00
 WISCONSIN.—*Madison*—Prairie du Sac sab-sch., 5 00
 Woman's Executive Committee H. M. 2040 32

Total for churches for Debt, Jan., 1886.... \$3,654 49

MISCELLANEOUS.

A New Year's offering from three sisters, 6; Valentine Smith, Freeport, N. Y., 100; "T. A. A.," 2; "J.," 2; Rev. L. D. Potter, D. D., Glendale, O., 5; M. Lee Jones, Macon, Ga., 2 50; "Self-denial of two children," 10; Mrs. J. H. Fleming, Welsh Run, Pa., 7; Mrs. J. Wickes, Attica, N. Y., 5; Mrs. H. E. Parsons, Ashtabula, O., 100; A thank-offering, 100; Rev. W. F. Kean and wife, Sewickly, Pa., 10..... 349 50

Total for Debt, January, 1886..... \$4,003 99

Total received for Debt from June 1, 1885, 104,474 55

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RECEIPTS FOR SUSTENTATION, JANUARY, 1886.

ATLANTIC.—*Atlantic*—Goodwill, 2 00
 BALTIMORE.—*Washington City*—Washington 1st, 6 12; Westminster, 10. 16 12
 COLORADO.—*Boulder*—Valmont, 31
 ILLINOIS.—*Cairo*—Tamaroa, 1. *Peoria*—Green Valley, 5. *Schuyler*—Oquawka, 1 38. 7 38
 INDIANA.—*Crawfordsville*—Waveland, 10 86. *Indianapolis*—Greenfield, 8. *Logansport*—Goodland, 3. *Muncie*—Portland, 2. 23 86
 IOWA.—*Fl. Dodge*—Calliope, 10. *Iowa*—K-okuk Westminster, 4 26. *Middletown*, 61 cts. *Iowa City*—Washington, 3 46. 18 33
 KANSAS.—*Lavned*—Spearville, 4 26
 MICHIGAN.—*Detroit*—Detroit Westminster, 47 96. *Lansing*—Concord, 3 55; Moscow, 10. 61 51
 MINNESOTA.—*Fargo*—Rev. Q. L. Young, tithe, 1 57. *St. Paul*—Minneapolis Bethlehem, 2 94. 4 51
 MISSOURI.—*Palmyra*—Hannibal 1st, 5. *Platte*—Gallatin, 1. *St. Louis*—"C. L. A.," 10. 16 00
 NEBRASKA.—*Hastings*—Edgar, 5 00
 NEW JERSEY.—*Monmouth*—Farmingdale, 2. *Morris and Orange*—Chester, 10; Dover 1st, 13 87; Orange 2d, 59 20. *Newark*—Newark Calvary, 4 31. *New Brunswick*—Hamilton Square, 4. *Newton*—Blairstown, 10; Belvidere 1st, 10; Greenwich, 2 28; Yellow Frame, 1 35; Hackettstown, 10. 127 01
 NEW YORK.—*Albany*—Albany State St., 42 45; Amsterdam 2d, 35 78. *Binghamton*—Binghamton 1st, 23 60. *Buffalo*—Buffalo Lafayette St., 1 19; Westminster, 15 21. *Cayuga*—Aurora, 22 66; Fair Haven, 5. *Hudson*—Middletown 2d, 4 11; Nyack, 1 10. *Nassau*—Astoria, 7; Jamaica, 30 65. *New York*—Brick Church Chapel, 6. *Otsego*—Oneonta, 2. *Steuben*—Bath, 25; Arkport, 1 80. *Utica*—Walcott Memorial, 10. *Westchester*—Irvington, 38 13. 271 68
 OHIO.—*Athens*—Athens sab-sch., 10; Pomeroy, 5 18. *Columbus*—Blendon, 7 95. *St. Clairsville*—

St. Clairsville, 15; Bannock, 4; Morristoryn, 3. *Steubenville*—Wellsville, 27. 72 13
 PACIFIC.—*San José*—San José 1st, 11 00
 PENNSYLVANIA.—*Buller*—Westminster, 4; Buffalo, 3; Harrisville, 4. *Carlisle*—Dauphin, 8. *Carlion*—Oil City 2d, 1 19. *Erie*—Mercer 1st, 6; Venango, 2 71. *Huntingdon*—Lewistown, 12 24. *Kittanning*—Elders Ridge, 13; Apollo, 8. *Lackawanna*—Wyoming, 16. *Lehigh*—Allentown 1st, 4 29. *Northumberland*—Williamsport 2d, 35 cts. *Philadelphia Central*—Alexander, 35 17. *Philadelphia North*—Manayunk 1st, 10. *Pittsburgh*—Bellefield @, 10; Grace Memorial, 1. *Redstone*—Relioboth, 6 32; Brownsville, 5. *Shenango*—Unity 8. *Washington*—Wheeling 1st sab-sch., 10; Washington 1st, 10 48. 178 75

Total from churches, January, 1886.... 819 85

MISCELLANEOUS.

"C. H. M., N. J.," 1 53; Religious Contribution Society of Princeton Theo. Sem., 9 70..... 11 23

Total receipts for January, 1886..... 831 08

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BOARD OF EDUCATION.

WHY STUDENTS ARE AVERSE TO ENTERING THE MINISTRY.

In a "telling address" delivered at a meeting of the students in the Union Theological Seminary, New York, the above subject was discussed by Mr. N. N. Skinner, of Hamilton, speaking "from the side of the student." The second cause assigned for the aversion of students to become ministers was the system adopted by the Church of giving aid to students in their course of education for the sacred calling. "A man of independence," it was said, "does not wish to be put under such obligations." And when it was asserted that "the case would be very different if a pledge were required of each recipient to return *every cent* of such aid," we are told that "the assertion was greeted with hearty applause." "Then it would not be of the nature of charity, as it is now frequently represented to be."

This statement requires a few comments and corrections.

1. It proceeds on the assumption that the aid given to candidates for the ministry is a *charity*. This is a great mistake, but a very common one. It is high time that it was eradicated out of the minds of people—especially out of the Church. Never did the devisers of the "system of aid" contemplate it as a charity; nor has the Board of Education ever been administered as an eleemosynary agency. Charity, as we understand it, has regard *primarily* to the relief or benefit of its object. It is an exercise of compassion towards his sufferings and needs, and is designed for *his good*. But this is not the motive which led the Church to make provision for a well-educated ministry. It looked rather to its own advantage and prosperity. Being entrusted with the duty of edifying its membership and of spreading the gospel, it needed for this purpose men well trained for their work—men of learning as well as piety; and in order not to be constrained by stress of want to ordain those who, having the heart and the gifts for the service, were not sufficiently educated by reason of a lack of means to pursue a full course of study such as it desired, the Church, for *its own sake*, resolved to supply the deficiency by furnishing the required means. In doing so it acted on the same policy which induces the state to establish military and naval academies and normal schools and free schools. It wants the men full as much as, if not more than, the men want it for their support; for as a rule the ministry is not a lucrative profession. This is the view which governs the Board of Education in dispensing its scholarships. It has no regard to the *wants* of the proffered candidates. Its controlling inquiry regards the *fitness* of the candidate for the work of the Church. If he shows no fitness, it declines aid, however hard he may plead. The funds of the Church for this cause are managed in the form of investments that are expected to pay; and if ever investments have paid, these have done so.

But there is one question which may be asked just here. Where is the difference between the scholarships dispensed by the Board and those that belong to the educational institutions and are given out by them? Why should any stigma be attached to the use of the one and not to the use of the other? In fact, are not the scholarships belonging to the institutions more of a charity than the former, not being given for a particular church purpose, but for the student who might desire it?

2. Again, it is said that the reception of aid militates against a man's independence! It puts him under oppressive obligations which no high-spirited man should consent to! But how, it may be asked, can a student educated in our colleges, and especially in our theological seminaries, escape obligations of some sort? The theologian does

not pay for tuition or room-rent, or many of the other privileges which he enjoys. These are all provided for him exactly on the same principle that the scholarships are—viz., that expense may not deter any candidate from getting the education which the Church demands. Obligation rests more or less heavily on all students, and the difference is only one of more or less. None squares his accounts; all are in debt.

3. But why should the fact that some candidates are aided by scholarships deter others, who need no aid, from entering the ministry? Is it that the latter are unwilling to associate with those who are less favored in pecuniary matters than themselves? Or is it that a profession which is supplied by a system of aid to any extent has been too degraded for them to enlist in it? If this be so, it must be confessed that the spirit thus shown is not one which promises well for service under such a master as Jesus, the carpenter's son, was, nor do those who cherish it seem fit to fall into the line of true apostolic succession; hence, would it not be well for the Church that such young men continue to be kept out of the ministry by the same bar? and if the Board of Education proves to them a rock of offence, would it not be advisable to maintain it just for this very reason?

If it be said that it is not *poverty* which is the disqualifying feature, but the lack of that independence which dignifies character, and makes a person worthy of so high a calling as the ministry is, we ask in reply in what respect the man who draws upon his father for funds is any more independent than the man who draws his funds from the treasury of his "mother Church," whose servant he expects to be. Both lean alike; and why should he whom God has blessed with a father whom he can lean on insist that his brother whom God has not so blessed should work for his own support and study too, and thus carry a double burden that will be sure to prevent that success in study which is so desirable? Where is the fairness of this imposition?

One of the most frequent reasons adduced by professors for our candidates not taking a higher stand in their classes is that they already have too much to do for self-support; and shall we augment the hindrance?

4. But we have a question to ask. Is there reason to believe that, were this stumbling-block of aid removed, these young men, who are now kept out of the ministry by it and would otherwise enlist, would equal those we would lose, either in point of numbers or of ability or of earnest piety? What we would have lost without our present system we know. Their names are on file. The testimony of their indebtedness to the Board for the means without which they could not have entered the ministry abounds in our archives. They are among the most efficient leaders and laborers in the Church—men with whom the wealthiest and the proudest need not be ashamed to associate, and who have as sturdy manliness of character as can be found anywhere. Now is it probable that the loss of these would have been counterbalanced by the gain made from the other quarter? The experience of our own and other denominations is against such a probability. These systems of aid, now so widely established, have been the result of sheer necessity. The several churches that have adopted them have been compelled to do it partly from the paucity of enlistments for the ministry out of the ranks of the well-to-do classes, and partly from the desire to secure the services of young men who, with excellent gifts for the sacred calling, had not the means sufficient for a costly education, and were too valuable to be neglected. Let these systems cease, and the emptiness of numerous pulpits and the calls of our boards of missions would soon compel their reorganization.

5. But an alternative is presented, viz., that "each recipient of aid be pledged to pay back *every cent* of what has been given him." Of course consistency would require that the incomes received from scholarships in college and seminary be refunded likewise. It seems that such a method greatly pleased the students at Union Seminary. Of course now it must be expected that every candidate who applauded the suggestion and has been aided in any way in his education will keep account of what he has received, and return the same with usury. There is nothing to hinder this.

Many have done so and are now doing so of their own accord. Nearly two thousand dollars were sent to our treasury last year by these conscientious and grateful men, and we applaud them. We hope to applaud some more. It were to be wished that all on our books would give occasion for applause. But what if they wanted to and could not? What if they gave their notes for a return, and were distressed because these pledges had to be dishonored? Ministers' salaries are not large. A considerable portion of them have to rest content with a scanty support. They are rendering services to the Church which more than compensate, both for all that has been put into them and for all they are still receiving. And now under such circumstances shall the Board of Education come into their ill-provided homes, present its bill, and say, "Pay me what thou owest"? God forbid. The Church tried this system once, and found it would not work. It was impracticable for many reasons, and too painful; so it was deliberately discarded. She now leaves it optional with the ministers to refund if they see fit. She considers the services rendered on a salary ranging from \$400 to \$1000 a year a cancelling of all obligations, and she ought to. Those who have larger incomes are at liberty to pay if they choose. That many do so pay, the accounts of our treasurer clearly show. There is *honor*, there is *manliness*, in the Presbyterian ministry. Let none who are expecting to enter its ranks disparage in any way the nearly one-half of its number who have been helped into it either by the Board or by their friends. Among these they will find the sons of brother ministers and missionaries, of elders, of widows, of humble mechanics, who are toiling hard to supply what is lacking after all the aid granted, of those who have shown high qualities for instruction in the Sunday-school; most of whom have risen to eminence, and are earning for themselves a crown of glory that shall not fade away. Of a system which has produced such supplies for our pulpits we say *esto perpetua*.

ON FINANCES.

Out of 6036 home churches only 1750 have sent us any contributions thus far. We shall need about \$26,000 to complete the year without a debt. This is what we want to do. A debt is bad. It is *culpable* in a Church which carries in its Scriptures the precept, "Owe no man anything." It is *vexatious*, as our Home and Foreign Boards find by a sad experience. It works a widespread injury, as the effort to pay the debt detracts from the funds that should go to other causes, and puts them in debt. These consequences we wish to avoid. Six weeks only yet remain for raising the needed sum, and there are 4286 churches who are under a moral obligation to aid us in doing it. Very many of these churches are enjoying a ministry that has been provided for them by the assistance of this Board, and they ought not to neglect the source of their blessings. We make, therefore, an *earnest appeal to each one of these churches to see to it that the column of education opposite its name in the minutes of the next Assembly be creditably filled*.

Query—Are there any candidates who can comfortably dispense with the last installment of their scholarships? If so, let them notify the treasurer accordingly.

RECEIPTS FOR EDUCATION IN JANUARY, 1886

ATLANTIC.—*East Florida*—St. Augustine, 15 00
BALTIMORE.—*Baltimore*—Baltimore Boundary Ave.,
25; Baltimore Brown Memorial, Mrs. Peyton Har-
rison, 50; Baltimore Lafayette Sq. 9 52; Baltimore
Light St., 5; Ellicott City, 16 75. *New Castle*—Forest
1st, 36; Lower Brandywine, 6 18. *Washington City*—
Washington 1st, 10 78; Washington Westminster, 15.
174 23

COLORADO.—*Boulder*—Valmont, 35 cts. *Santa Fé*—
Albuquerque, 5 5 35
COLUMBIA.—*Oregon*—Portland St. Johns, 1 50;
Portland Calvary, 13 80. 15 30

ILLINOIS.—*Alton*—Greenfield, 2; Hillsboro', 10.
Cairo—Tamaroa, 7 31. *Chicago*—Chicago 2d, 90 21;
Lake Forest 1st, 70 63; Oak Park, 22 86. *Freeport*—
Galena South, 41 55. *Pooria*—Lewistown, 30. *Schuy-
ler*—Hamilton, 2; Mount Sterling, 30 45; Oquawka,
2; Warsaw, 5. *Springfield*—Springfield 1st, 44 19.
358 20

INDIANA.—*Crawfordsville*—Frankfort, 10; Ross-
ville, 5 35. *Logansport*—Plymouth, 5. *Muncie*—
Wabash, 1 72. *New Albany*—Madison 1st, 17; Mt.
Vernon 1st, 5 75; New Albany 2d, 21 44; Owen
Creek, 1 68. 67 94

IOWA.—*Cedar Rapids*—Cedar Rapids 1st, 155 98.
Des Moines—Rev. A. A. Mathes, 5. *Dubuque*—Zion,
3. *Iowa*—Keokuk, 4 78; Middletown, 69 cts.; Spring
Creek, 1. *Iowa City*—Crawfordsville, 1; Washington,
3 88. 175 33

KANSAS.—*Emporia*—Big Creek, 2 55. *Highland*—
Willis, 3. *Neosho*—Iola, 8. 13 55

KENTUCKY.—*Louisville*—Louisville Knox, 4 38;
Princeton 1st, 5. 9 38

MICHIGAN.—*Detroit*—Detroit Westminster, 53 85;
Plymouth 1st, 10. *Grand Rapids*—Cadillac, 6 08.
Lansing—Concord, 3 99. *Monroe*—Manchester, 4.
77 92

MINNESOTA.—*Pembina*—Neche, 1; Westminster
sab-sch., 3. *Northern Pacific*—Rev. Q. L. Young,
tithe, 1 77. *St. Paul*—Minneapolis 1st, 79 73; Minne-
apolis Bethlehem, 3 30. 88 80

MISSOURI.—*Osage*—Kansas City 2d, 80 50; Sedalia,
2. *Palmyra*—Hannibal 1st, 10; Shelbyville, 2. *Platte*—
Gallatin, 2. *St. Louis*—Salem Ger., 2; C. L. A., 30.
128 50

NEBRASKA.—*Kearney*—Rev. J. Schaedel, 2 00
NEW JERSEY.—*Monmouth*—Farmingdale, 5. *Morris*
and Orange—Boonton, 20; Chester, 10; Dover, 36 82;
Mendham 1st, 9 86; Myersville Ger., 5. *Newark*—
Newark Calvary, 4 81. *New Brunswick*—Amwell 2d,
4 25; Hamilton Square, 7; Hopewell, 2 50. *Newton*
—Belvidere 1st, 5; Greenwich, 2 66; Yellow Frame,
1 53. *West Jersey*—Bridgeton 1st, 25; May's Land-
ing, 2. 141 43

NEW YORK.—*Albany*—Albany State St., 47 67. *Bing-
hamton*—Binghamton 1st, 33 05; Union 1st, 12 50.
Buffalo—Buffalo Lafayette St., 4 75; Buffalo West-
minster, 19 01; Clarence (sab-sch.), 1 39; 11 31.
Cayuga—Aurora, 22 66; Fair Haven, 2; Meridian, 6.
Champlain—Peru, 3. *Chemung*—Mecklenburgh, 5;
North Elmira, 6; Watkins, 4 50. *Genesee*—Attica,
13 70. *Geneva*—Canandaigua, 9 95; Geneva 1st,
29 81; Waterloo, 15. *Hudson*—Middletown 1st, 26;
Middletown 2d, 4 60; Nyack, 1 40; Washingtonville
1st, 10. *Lyons*—Lyons 1st, 18 41. *Nassau*—Astoria,
7; Huntington 2d, 22. *New York*—Rev. C. J. Collins,
19. *North River*—Matteawan, 10. *Rochester*—Roch-
ester Brick, 150. *St. Lawrence*—Dexter, 2. *Steuben*
—Arkport, 2 02; Bath, 30; Howard sab-sch., 5 46.
Syracuse—Cazenovia, 20; Jordan sab-sch. class No. 7,
3. *Troy*—Hoosac Falls, 8 78; Lansingburgh Olivet,
19 51. *Utica*—Utica Memorial, 37; Vernon, 25.
658 09

OHIO.—*Athens*—Athens sab-sch., 5. *Bellefontaine*

—*Bellefontaine* 1st, 2 21. *Cincinnati*—Bethel, 5;
Goshen, 2; Wyoming, 45. *Cleveland*—Cleveland Mile
Park, 18; Northfield, 7. *Columbus*—Columbus Hoge
10. *Lma*—Columbus Grove, 3; Lima Main St. (sab-
sch.), 1, 3 73. *Mahoning*—Canton 1st, 26; Hubbard,
6; Massillon, 18 34. *Marion*—Jerome, 90 cts.; Os-
trander, 9 28; Providence, 1 10. *Portsmouth*—Jack-
son 1st, 7. *St. Clairsville*—Kirkwood, 24 53. *Wooster*
—Congress, 5; Creston, 5 20; Frederickburg, 2 68;
Jackson, 7 52; Wayne, 1 75. *Zanesville*—Chaudlers-
ville, 4 46; Duncan's Falls, 2 04. 222 74

PACIFIC.—*Benicia*—Mendocino, 4 10
PENNSYLVANIA.—*Allegheny*—New Salem, 2 55;
Sharpsburgh, 25 22. *Blairsville*—Johnstown, 35 75;
Parnassus, 5. *Carlisle*—Gettysburgh, 6. *Clarion*—
Oil City 2d, 99 cts. *Erie*—Erie Park, 25; Venango,
1 40. *Huntingdon*—Altoona 2d, 17 17; Lewistown,
13 74; Mount Union, 8; Spring Creek, 11. *Kittan-
ning*—Currie's Run, 4 40; Elder's Ridge, 11; Salt-
burgh, 28 10. *Lackawanna*—Tunkhannock, 11 02.
Lehigh—Allentown, 4 80; Mauch Chunk, 20 60;
Pottsville 2d, 10. *Northumberland*—Williamsport 2d,
20 12. *Philadelphia*—Philadelphia Bethany, 40 60.
Philadelphia Central—Philadelphia Alexander, 54 08;
Philadelphia Northminster, add'l, 25; Philadelphia
Temple, 25. *Philadelphia North*—Frankford, 5 13;
Heron, 13 80; Manayunk, 20. *Pittsburgh*—Bethany,
15 70; Bethel, 21; Pittsburgh Central, 3; Pitts-
burgh Bellefield, 10; Pittsburgh Grace Mem., 1.
Redstone—Brownsville, 6; Scottdale, 5 58. *Shenango*
—New Brighton, 12. *Washington*—Washington 1st,
23 72. 543 47

TENNESSEE.—*Holston*—Mount Bethel, 1 50. *Kings-
ton*—Mount Zion, 3; Piney Falls, 1; Rockwood, 1 1;
Spring City, 1. *Union*—Rev. W. H. Lyle, 4. 11 50

UTAH.—*Montana*—Deer Lodge, 2 00

WISCONSIN.—*La Crosse*—New Amsterdam, 3 21.
Lake Superior—Ishpeming, 7. *Milwaukee*—Milwau-
kee Holland, 5. *Winnebago*—Fond du Lac, 13 05. 28 26

Total receipts from churches and Sabbath-
schools in January, 1886..... \$2,743 00

LEGACY.

Estate of Eliza Wallingford, Pittsburg, Pa..... 4,922 36

REFUNDED.

"R. R. M." 10; "Beneficiary," 15; "One
who was helped," 10..... 35 00

MISCELLANEOUS.

Interest on Charles Wright Fund, 19; Inter-
est on Permanent Funds, 62 50; C. H.
Van Diver, note with interest, 163 45;
Religious Contribution Society, Prince-
ton Sem., 10 91; "Tithes," 9; "From a
friend," 12 50; "Free-will offering," 10;
Rev. H. Loomis, Yokohama, Japan, 50;
"A friend in Japan," 50; "From an in-
valid widow," 10; "C., N. Y.," 2; "C.
H. M.," N. J., 1 72..... 401 08

Total receipts in January, 1886..... \$8,101 53

Less amount refunded to Board of Aid for
Colleges and Academies from 1st Church
Joliet, Ill., sent to Board of Education
by mistake..... 15 00

Total receipts from April, 1885..... 8,086 53

Total receipts from April, 1885..... 58,764 89

JACOB WILSON, Treasurer,
1334 Chestnut St., Phila.

BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

RECENT INTELLIGENCE.

NOTICES OF MISSIONARIES.—The Rev. T. J. Potter and his wife have returned from Persia, owing to the serious illness of Mrs. Potter and the imperative orders of her physician. We are glad to learn that her health is somewhat improved. We learn with much regret the death of Mrs. Asher Wright, of the Seneca mission, on the 21st of January, 1886. Mrs. Wright had been a missionary among the Senecas for many years—from 1832, we understand. She was well acquainted with their language, and was held in the greatest respect by them and by all who were acquainted with her as a faithful servant of Christ and a devoted and very useful missionary. She was active and untiring in her work for the Indians even to the last days of her advanced age. We hope that her memoirs will be given to the press.

ADDED TO THE CHURCH, as reported in the letters acknowledged below.—On a journey from Chefoo, nine, out of forty applicants; at Hangchow, two; at Canton, one; at Petchaburi and Bankabun, three; at Kolhapore, two; in the Syria mission, one hundred and thirty in the year just ended.

THE RECEIPTS IN JANUARY are of marked encouragement. (See summary statement in another place and the treasurer's acknowledgments.) We trust that the friends of the cause will be enabled to keep on devising liberal things in its support for the rest of the year, so that the 1st of May next will call for great thankfulness.

LATEST DATES TO FEBRUARY 13.—From the Seneca mission, January 21; Seminole, January 30; Choctaw, January 16; San Francisco, January 15; Kanazawa, December 15; Seoul, November 24; Tsinanfu, December 5; Tungchow, December 1; Chefoo, November 16; Nanking, November 7; Hangchow, November 20; Ningpo, December 22; Petchaburi, November 30; Allahabad, December 16; Furrukhabad, January 5; Saharanpore, December 14; Sabathu, December 21; Kolhapore, January 7; Tabriz, December 24; Beirut, December 31; Zahleh, December 29; Campanha, December 10; Bogota, December 29; Guatemala, December 15; Mexico, January 25; Zacatecas, January 20; Omaha, February 2.

SUMMARY STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS.

MAY 1 TO JANUARY 31—NINE MONTHS.

	From churches.	Individual donors.	Bequests.	Total.
1885-6.	\$246,219	\$55,843	\$96,682	\$398,745
For comparison—				
1884-5.	198,838	44,837	78,681	322,358

NOTE.—We have placed this summary statement here for a remark or two in explanation. Under "from churches" above are included church collections proper, Sabbath-school collections and women's board collections, agreeably to the usage of many years. These are usually under the supervision of the church sessions, and are understood to be such as are contained in the foreign missions columns in the statistics of the Minutes of the General Assembly. We are glad to see that they have increased in amount for several years and do not show a falling off thus far this year. We fear there has been for some years a falling off in the church collections proper. If so, it

needs to be carefully considered by the church sessions. The increased gifts of the Sabbath-schools and the women's boards should not lessen the gifts of the churches proper.

Those under "miscellaneous" in the treasurer's acknowledgments, or "individual donors" in the above summary, are the donations that reach the treasury not from churches, but as personal gifts, which are most welcome and valuable. These added to the amount "from churches" show the Board's income from the *living* members of our body.

The income of the Board may be classified, therefore, as coming from two sources—the gifts of the living and the bequests of the departed. Both are greatly useful; but the former from the nature of the case are the greatest in amount, and ought to be regular and steady in the time of their reaching the Board's treasury.

We append the receipts "from the churches" and from "individual donors," that is, from the living members of our Church, for several years, viz.: in 1875, \$396,662; in 1876, \$469,691; in 1877, \$434,460; in 1878, \$428,768; in 1879, \$385,127; in 1880, \$445,071; in 1881, \$468,899; in 1882, \$463,645; in 1883, \$521,369; in 1884, \$574,845; in 1885, \$581,067. (See Annual Report, 1885, page 196.)

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF DONATIONS TO THE BOARD.

These are made in three forms:—1, in the *Record*; 2, in the *Foreign Missionary*; 3, in the *Annual Report*. In each case the reason is sufficient. In the *Record* and *Foreign Missionary*, monthly, to give donors early knowledge that their gifts have reached the treasury; to afford ready means of correcting mistakes; to be a check to any possible perversion of funds transmitted. Interesting examples could be given of such uses. Donations are acknowledged in both the magazines because so many of their readers are not the same persons; we have reason to think that the *Record*, for example, is sent to between 5000 and 6000 persons who do not see the *Foreign Missionary*. Besides in the former all the boards insert their acknowledgments, and the omission by one board in the family would be a matter of common regret, and sometimes of considerable inconvenience. Moreover, we suppose that these acknowledgments are to many readers very interesting as well as useful.

The acknowledgment of all the donations of the year in the *Annual Report* is made for the use of the General Assembly, to enable the members of that body, and afterwards the members of presbyteries and synods, to see the actual financial support given to the cause by the churches. Evidently this acknowledgment is indispensable to a judgment by the church courts, and especially by the General Assembly, of the missionary cause under its care, as supported by its churches.

NUMBER OF NATIVE MISSIONARY LABORERS.

This varies in different "missions," according to the varying circumstances of each. It is an encouraging fact that in most fields the number is steadily on the increase. The last Annual Report of the Board showed nearly 1100 of all kinds. The missionaries in each field are the best judges of their appointment and remuneration, where their support in whole or in part has to be provided. The number available and suitable is hardly ever the same in all countries. The amount of funds that the Board at home can appropriate, upon the estimates sent in by all the missions, is an important factor in the case, and one that the brethren abroad are not well able to determine. We acknowledge, also, that we have a growing dislike to the idea of testing missionary work by its pecuniary cost; while we more than ever hold firmly to the duty of

exercising a wise economy in all missionary expenditure, abroad and at home. But we should never think of trying to find out how many dollars each convert costs!

The subject is connected with that of self-support by the native churches, one of the most important things, and yet not one that can be subjected to uniform rates. The cost of living varies in different countries, among the natives as well as foreigners. The greatest point is to make an early beginning in the employment of native helpers, on right principles and on the simplest plans. Adverting to India, we may say that the small amount of self-support, as well as the small number of church members, are both easily understood by one who knows the peculiar conditions of the people. For the great gospel leavening work among them, every true convert is an invaluable laborer. Mistakes may be made as to his support, if employed as a native assistant, but hardly as to the number of good and suitable laborers. In all countries native missionaries of the right stamp are simply invaluable, and we may well trust our missionary brethren to take proper order concerning them in connection with, and not separate from, the good mother Church to which both they and we are so much indebted. We are afraid of independent movements in these matters at too early a day; but good beginnings, patiently continued, will bear good fruit.

NUMBER OF CONVERTS IN OUR INDIA CHURCHES.

This number is small compared with the number in some of the other missions of the Board. It has indeed increased, being now twice as large as it was a few years ago. It is yet but small—less than one thousand, as stated in the last reports. How is this to be accounted for?

Not by mission fields more widely open, nor enjoying better governmental protection, nor giving more ready access to the people; nor yet in fields having better laborers,—for our India brethren are men of the same families at home, church and Christian experience, theological training and earnest consecration, as are their fellow laborers in China, Japan and other countries. We do not deny, on the contrary we believe, that the sovereignty of the Holy Spirit, which suffered not the apostle to go into Bithynia, regards with infinite wisdom the state of things in India, but does not yet grant large *visible* success; yet we may not doubt that there are the best reasons of this apparent delay; and we are sure that the real progress towards success is far greater than mere numerical statistics can show.

The conditions of gospel work vary greatly in every country. Compare the Japanese with the Chinese, for example, or the Karens with the Hindus, or different castes in India with each other, especially the poor with those of high ancestral rank. It is, we think, still true that the gospel makes most progress among the poor. Among the Hindus this is manifest; compare the Kôls or the Chuhras with the Brahmans, or the Teloo goos with the Rajpoots. Apart from this, there may be something to hinder the acceptance of Christianity in the fondness of the educated classes for metaphysical studies, ending too often in pantheism; in their pride of a vast literature, with all its sensual histories of goddesses and gods; in their ancient conservatism; besides the common dislike of human nature in its fallen state to a holy religion.

But India differs from all other heathen countries in its dreadful system of caste. This system now holds in bondage all the people in greater or less degree, and usually in so great a degree as to make every convert to Christ an outcast—cut off from home, family and friends, deprived of property and reduced to poverty, persecuted and utterly despised. It is no wonder that Christian converts are so few, and for the most part so little able to support their own churches. The times are, however, changing. The bonds of caste are weakening, owing to many causes; but this terrible bondage is still a great barrier to the spread of the gospel among the Hindus. All the subdivisions of caste, over a hundred, have their adherents—each interlinked with all the families

and members of his own class. Even Mohammedans and Sikhs observe caste usages; and so the land is held in bondage to the great enemy.

In 1834 one of the missionaries of the Board wrote that no great number of the Hindus could ordinarily be expected to become Christians until this system of caste was broken. In the meantime conversions would probably be few and occur in isolated cases; but that eventually caste itself would become a great means of its own overthrow. This would result from the leavening influence of the gospel by the power of the Holy Spirit, reaching each member of each subdivision; but no one moving till all moved, and then conversions would be numbered by thousands and scores of thousands. This impression has gained strength. It is held more firmly now than it was then. It has been signally exemplified.

Our blessed Saviour's ministry on earth was largely a work of sowing seed not yielding a large harvest at first. But it was followed by the day of Pentecost. Thus it was in the land of Israel. So it is still in far less degree, but there shall be, and perhaps soon, days of Pentecost in India. Indeed, in this point of view the work of missions among the Hindus is far more successful than it is among most other heathen peoples.

GENERAL MISSIONARY STATISTICS.

[The following valuable tables are taken from the *Baptist Missionary Magazine* of January, 1886. They will be useful for reference, and will be prized as affording a general idea of Protestant Foreign Missions in all countries.—ED. F. R.]

I. SOCIETIES.

AMERICAN.	Begun.	Stations.	MISSIONARIES.		NATIVE HELPERS.		Communicants.	Pupils in Schools.	INCOME.
			Men.	Women.	Ordained.	Others.			
American Board, Congregationalist,	1810	72	165	245	142	1,679	21,176	37,458	\$552,367 10
Baptist Missionary Union,	1814	42	79	115	343	1,597	112,122	13,168	328,527 21
Methodist Episco'l, North,	1819	90	156	126	276	1,765	34,442	17,412	388,698 26
Canada Methodist,	1824	—	55	20	17	43	4,874	—	49,952 00
Protestant Episcopal,	1835	45	27	30	38	160	1,264	2,267	134,981 58
Free Baptist,	1836	9	5	14	7	10	566	3,089	19,269 93
Presbyterian, North,	1837	70	196	287	117	976	21,051	25,267	693,257 70
Evangelical Lutheran,	1839	5	9	10	4	238	3,536	3,136	36,173 64
Welsh Presbyterian,	1840	—	10	—	14	20	743	—	39,115 00
Canada Presbyterian,	1844	—	19	19	8	122	1,694	—	66,963 00
Colored Methodist,	1844	—	27	4	1	8	688	—	6,587 72
Southern Baptist,	1845	12	21	24	16	34	1,143	573	80,465 87
Southern Methodist,	1845	12	48	13	111	182	10,749	801	183,962 91
Disciples of Christ,	1849	—	15	13	5	6	1,890	—	41,091 39
United Brethren in Christ,	1853	3	7	7	20	27	1,217	331	28,297 75
United Presbyterian,	1858	13	19	30	9	215	2,640	6,834	69,186 22
Dutch Reformed,	1858	11	20	24	18	159	2,952	2,198	70,955 23
Southern Presbyterian,	1862	10	23	33	14	42	1,750	207	70,167 45
Canadian Baptist,	1866	7	8	8	18	51	1,370	—	19,020 16
Cumberland Presbyterian,	1876	5	6	5	8	25	800	—	8,947 21
Evangelical Association,	1878	—	3	6	3	20	8,696	—	17,725 18
Friends,	—	—	20	24	12	46	3,932	1,070	65,000 00
10 other Organizations,	—	—	44	24	5	96	2,448	—	40,450 77
32 Societies,	—	406	986	1,081	1,206	7,511	242,733	124,813	\$3,011,027 38

BRITISH.	Begun.	Stations.	MISSION-ARIES.		NATIVE HELPERS.		Communicants.	Pupils in Schools.	INCOME.
			Men.	Women.	Ordained.	Others.			
Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, } Baptist Missionary Soc., London Missionary Soc., Church Missionary Soc., London Soc. for the Jews, Wesleyan Missionary Soc., General Baptist Miss. Soc., Bible Christians, Colonial and Contin'l Soc., Established Church of Scotland, Irish Presbyterian, Welsh Calvinistic Metho't, British Society for Jews, Free Church of Scotland, Primitive Methodist, South American Miss. Soc., United Presbyterian Ch. of Scotland, English Presbyterian, New-Connection Metho't, United Free Methodist, The Universities Mission, China Inland Mission, Frieds, Livingstone Inl'd Miss'n } (now Am. Bap. Miss. Un.), 4 other Organizations,	1701 1792 1795 1799 1808 1813 1816 1821 1823 1827 1840 1841 1842 1843 1843 1844 1847 1847 1856 1856 1859 1859 1865 1867 1878 —	141 86 119 216 — 371 11 — — 14 6 7 — 27 1 29 72 5 3 19 6 6 25 3 7 —	222 105 148 262 63 335 8 65 180 23 17 7 22 69 6 12 87 27 5 4 17 39 57 8 16 11	62 23 120 15 43 281 10 — — 8 8 — 5 54 6 — 15 8 4 11 10 — — 7 5	80 80 383 246 — 290 22 — — 4 12 — — 12 2 — 20 15 15 15 1 — — — — — —	1,390 480 6,178 3,511 83 1,922 25 339 105 100 40 14 78 389 4 — 414 58 45 158 33 104 — — 4 9	31,996 40,982 89,359 40,757 — 99,844 1,223 4,974 — 462 385 743 — 4,735 387 180 12,043 3,105 1,197 6,446 250 1,150 25 — —	24,937 8,296 131,281 68,710 — 145,436 1,304 — — 4,721 2,054 1,143 — 15,115 — 50 11,277 550 142 4,370 287 — 15,101 — —	\$550,199 00 339,905 00 512,816 00 1,162,243 00 177,950 00 750,534 00 37,017 00 31,135 00 206,378 00 177,048 00 54,505 00 18,000 00 — 437,705 00 13,098 00 74,904 00 196,595 00 84,569 00 30,859 00 71,356 00 67,792 00 87,792 00 25,000 00 25,600 00 84,385 00
28 Societies,	—	1,177	1,811	745	1,192	15,583	340,242	434,774	\$5,217,385 00

CONTINENTAL.	Begun.	Stations.	MISSION-ARIES.		NATIVE HELPERS.		Communicants.	Pupils in Schools.	INCOME.
			Men.	Women.	Ordained.	Others.			
Moravians, Netherland Reformed } Missionary Society, Basle Missionary Society, Leipzig Missionary Society, Danish Evangelical Mis- sionary Society, French Evangelical Mis- sionary Society, Berlin Missionary Society, Rhenish Missionary Soc., Gossner Missionary Soc., North-German Miss. Soc., St. Chrischona Mission, Norwegian Miss. Society, Hermansburg Miss. Soc., 14 other Organizations,	1732 1797 1815 1819 1821 1822 1824 1828 1836 1836 1840 1842 1853 —	99 — 38 20 — — — — 11 4 2 — 64 —	200 17 112 24 9 31 62 76 20 11 9 6 40 85 84	83 6 80 22 5 26 30 60 12 9 6 16 40 40 52	41 4 28 12 1 2 2 2 10 — — 8 20 —	1,570 43 295 278 20 130 302 280 210 20 12 228 37 120	28,116 30,000 8,017 4,040 125 6,820 8,060 9,260 12,080 275 — 3,684 5,061 1,994	16,933 7,850 6,177 3,052 — — 3,149 5,162 3,800 100 120 20,500 — 311	\$240,000 00 25,628 00 208,153 00 63,652 00 8,000 00 63,486 00 92,120 00 82,796 00 33,500 00 20,750 00 21,608 00 52,850 00 50,000 00 120,627 00
27 Societies,	—	238	777	447	130	3,545	117,532	67,154	\$1,083,170 00
GRAND TOTALS, 87 Societies,	—	1,821	3,561	2,274	2,519	26,572	698,363	608,099	\$9,311,582 38

II. COUNTRIES.

(A) AFRICA.

(C) INDIA, ASSAM AND CEYLON.

SOCIETIES.	Stations.	Ordained Missionaries.	Native Preachers.	Communicants.	Pupils.
<i>American Societies.</i>					
American Board,	10	16	78	729	2,299
Baptist Miss. Union,	8	14	4	429	
Methodist Episcopal,	30	17	63	2,167	1,994
Protestant Episcopal,	12	1	43	424	492
Presbyterian,	12	13	21	1,018	244
Lutheran,	1	1	4	65	150
Southern Baptist,	3	2	6	100	194
United Brethren,	3	6	24	444	331
United Presbyterian,	7	10	155	1,516	4,552
9 Societies,	86	79	409	6,725	10,256
<i>British Societies.</i>					
Propagation Society,	40	50	163	4,581	750
Baptist,	10	15	13	203	614
Church Missionary,	36	33	221	9,866	8,504
Wesleyan,	115	46	591	26,995	10,102
United Pres. (Scotch),	12	14	71	1,685	1,355
Methodist Free Ch.,	8	5	100	3,261	600
London Missionary,	56	49	4,212	73,901	81,704
Free Ch., Scotland,	15	27	94	3,121	3,284
The Universities Miss.,	6	45	17		287
Primitive Methodists,	1	4	2	356	
Established Ch., Scot.,	1	4			
Friends,	1	6			14,022
13 Societies,	302	299	5,484	123,999	134,154
<i>Continental Societies.</i>					
Basel,	10	22	104	2,346	1,680
North German,	3	10	30	200	150
Moravians,	15	29	183	2,733	2,637
Berlin,	45	59	273	6,442	3,149
Rhenish,	27	37	153	5,743	3,314
Hermansburg,	51	60	10	4,661	1,826
Chrischona,	1	2			
Ermelo,	1	2	2	10	20
French Evangelical,	17	23	70	4,424	2,195
Swiss Free Church,	2	7	6	61	86
Norwegian,	27	27	651	1,960	30,600
Swedish,	1	3	3		78
Finnish,	3	7			88
12 Societies,	203	288	1,485	28,580	45,829
Total, 35 Societies,	591	666	7,378	159,304	190,239

(B) TURKEY, PERSIA AND ARABIA.

SOCIETIES.	Stations.	Ordained Missionaries.	Native Preachers.	Communicants.	Pupils.
American Board,	14	41	456	7,367	13,202
Amer. Presbyterian,	9	24	108	3,006	8,352
Amer. Ref. Presbyt'n,	2	5	43	130	648
Disciples of Christ,	1	1		75	
Church Missionary,	11	12	68	459	2,143
Jerusalem Union,	3	1	6	100	140
Chrischona,	1	4	2		26
Total, 7 Societies,	41	88	675	11,127	24,511

SOCIETIES.	Stations.	Ordained Missionaries.	Native Preachers.	Communicants.	Pupils.
<i>American Societies.</i>					
American Board,	25	29	757	5,405	16,108
Baptist Miss. Union,	17	27	207	26,361	4,804
Methodist Episcopal,	12	18	120	2,014	12,084
Free Baptist,	9	5	15	551	3,089
Presbyterian,	19	35	46	965	10,250
Lutheran,	4	4	53	2,986	2,986
Reformed Church,	8	7	32	1,625	1,999
United Presbyterian,	6	6	71	1,132	2,282
German Evangelical,	2	2	10	175	110
Lutheran Gen. Council,	4	4	45	300	230
Canadian Baptist,	7	8	18	1,115	
Disciples,	2	2			
Canadian Presbyterian	2	3	16	50	250
Ref. Presbyterian,	1	1		79	749
14 Societies,	118	150	1,394	42,815	52,489
<i>British Societies.</i>					
Propagation Society,	56	68	863	19,779	21,191
Baptist,	66	47	300	4,389	6,207
London Missionary,	26	49	327	4,879	21,058
Church Missionary,	91	141	2,349	25,008	55,113
Wesleyan,	140	46	1,132	5,101	30,298
General Baptist,	11	7	23	1,222	1,304
Established Ch., Scot.,	12	16	96	442	4,691
Irish Presbyterian,	5	13	38	370	2,054
Welsh Calv. Methodist	7	7	14	743	1,143
Free Church Scotland,	10	31	139	1,334	1,751
English Presbyterian,	1	1		20	316
United Presb., Scot.,	8	13	227	382	4,118
Friends,	2	2		17	64
13 Societies,	430	441	5,580	64,686	159,398
<i>Continental Societies.</i>					
Moravian,	2	4		13	32
Basel,	19	63	186	4,150	4,030
Gossner's,	11	20	224	11,998	3,800
Leipzig,	19	19	305	4,000	3,002
Hermansburg,	10	11	27	400	182
Danish,	4	5	15	169	38
Swedish,	2	3			130
7 Societies,	69	129	758	16,730	7,414
Total, 34 Societies,	607	710	7,732	124,221	219,301

(D) BURMA, SIAM AND MALAY.

SOCIETIES.	Stations.	Ordained Missionaries.	Native Preachers.	Communicants.	Pupils.
American Baptist,	15	39	546	25,300	8,195
Amer. Presbyterian,	4	9	23	547	532
Propagation Society,	11	17	83	2,183	1,196
English Presbyterian,	1	1		33	
Leipzig,	1	2			50
Rhenish,	24	31	209	2,680	1,610
Netherland,	7	18	184	30,000	7,880
Ermelo,	1	2	2	20	20
Dutch,	3	3	4	100	61
Java Committee,	4	3	8	150	60
Netherland Union,	7	8	8	243	121
Utrecht,	6	8	1	48	
Netherland Reformed,	3	3	3		60
Sangi Mission,	4	4		600	200
Total, 14 Societies,	80	147	1,060	61,689	19,799

(E) CHINA.

SOCIETIES.	Stations.	Ordained Missionaries.	Native Preachers.	Communi- cants.	Pupils.
<i>American Societies.</i>					
American Board,	13	29	84	1,048	669
Baptist Miss. Union,	5	11	43	1,273	132
Methodist Episcopal,	14	20	123	1,984	583
Protestant Episcopal,	6	9	60	326	805
Presbyterian, North'n,	10	33	28	3,777	2,293
Seventh-Day Baptist,	1	1	5	32	54
Southern Baptist,	3	8	18	584	225
Southern Methodist,	3	10	12	158	547
Reformed Dutch,	1	4	20	758	116
Canadian Presbyt'n,	1	2	32	1,128	55
Southern Presbyt'n,	3	8	10	58	207
11 Societies,	69	134	458	11,277	6,481
<i>British Societies.</i>					
Propagation Society,	2	2		37	50
Baptist,	3	7	17	994	46
London Missionary,	9	25	66	2,924	1,398
Church Missionary,	20	25	163	2,045	1,451
Wesleyan,	9	11	35	518	551
Established Ch., Scot.,	1	2		20	30
Irish Presbyterian,	1	1			
English Presbyterian,	3	26	73	2,859	134
United Presby. (Scot.),	3	7	24	215	150
Methodist, New Conn.,	3	5	54	1,186	142
Methodist, Free Ch.,	3	3	10	276	270
China Inland,	25	66	102	1,100	
12 Societies,	56	179	544	12,174	3,752
<i>Continental Societies.</i>					
Basel,	9	14	49	1,521	461
Berlin,	1	3	27	119	84
Rhenish,	1	2	6	60	70
Berlin Woman's Union	1	1			40
Free Mission,		1	1		
5 Societies,	12	21	83	1,640	655
Total, 28 Societies,	137	334	1,085	23,922	8,891

(F) JAPAN.

SOCIETIES.	Stations.	Ordained Missionaries.	Native Preachers.	Communi- cants.	Pupils.
<i>American Societies.</i>					
American Board,	5	16	33	1,877	3,222
Baptist Miss. Union,	4	5	17	286	37
Methodist Episcopal,	5	14	27	708	908
Protestant Episcopal,	2	13	23	1,100	243
Presbyterian,	3	11	24	1,572	833
Reformed Dutch,	2	9	20	669	83
German Evangelical,	1	1			
Disciples,	1	2			
Canadian Methodist,	1	3	12	377	
Cumberland Presby.,	1	2		33	
Evangelical Assoc.,	1	2	4	146	132
Methodist Protestant,	1	1			44
Associate Reformed,	1	1	2	50	
13 Societies,	27	76	143	5,441	5,502
<i>British Societies..</i>					
Propagation Society,	2	3		61	150
Baptist,	1	1	4	26	13
Church Missionary,	4	11	12	129	89
United Presby. (Scot.),	4	5	15	203	200
4 Societies,	11	20	31	419	102
Total, 17 Societies,	38	96	174	5,313	5,116

(G) PACIFIC ISLANDS.

SOCIETIES.	Stations.	Ordained Missionaries.	Native Preachers.	Communi- cants.	Pupils.
American Board,	5	8	49	3,870	1,958
Canadian Presbyt'n,	8	12	100	755	320
Hawaiian Evan. Assoc.	7	7	41	5,811	
Church Missionary,	16	17	293	2,850	462
Propagation Society,	4	4		303	150
London Missionary,	25	23	796	22,125	24,618
Wesleyan,	25	25	2,000	34,131	52,784
Free Church, Scotland,	2	1	1	245	80
Milanesian Mission,	26	9	45		800
Moravians,	2	3		30	43
Hermansburg,	3	5			20
North German,	1	1		50	50
French Evangelical,	2	2	6		800
Total, 13 Societies,	119	117	3,331	70,170	82,085

(H) SOUTH AMERICA.

SOCIETIES.	Stations.	Ordained Missionaries.	Native Preachers.	Communi- cants.	Pupils.
Southern Baptist,	2	2	4	113	40
Amer. Presbyterian,	15	22	27	1,785	777
Propagation Society,	5	4		577	150
London Missionary,	2	1	4	1,090	859
Wesleyan,	6	10	68	3,536	2,100
South-American Miss.,	2	7			50
Moravians,	16	36	217	7,937	2,280
Total, 7 Societies,	48	80	310	15,038	6,256

(I) WEST INDIES AND CENTRAL AMERICA.

SOCIETIES.	Stations.	Ordained Missionaries.	Native Preachers.	Communi- cants.	Pupils.
Amer. Prot. Episcopal,	9	15	22	414	77
Canadian Presbyt'n,	4	3	50	130	1,791
African Meth. Epis.,	1	1	7	80	130
Disciples of Christ,				756	
American Friends,	1	1	1	12	112
Propagation Society,	13	17	2	2,847	500
English Baptist,	6	6	57	32,960	1,326
London Missionary,	1	1	21	2,601	1,644
English Wesleyan,	76	94	270	44,676	37,769
United Presby. (Scot.),	45	22	88	8,736	5,454
Methodist Free Ch.,	8	8	37	2,707	2,400
Moravians,	49	38	473	16,048	11,307
Total, 12 Societies,	213	206	1,028	112,147	62,510

(J) MEXICO AND GUATEMALA.

SOCIETIES.	Stations.	Ordained Missionaries.	Native Preachers.	Communi- cants.	Pupils.
Baptist Home Mission,	3	3	7	237	
Southern Baptist,	3	2	7	117	40
American Board,	2	4			
Amer. Presbyterian,	7	9	37	6,672	745
American Methodist,	8	8	26	611	789
Total, 5 Societies,	23	25	68	7,594	1,574

(K) INDIANS OF NORTH AMERICA.

SOCIETIES.	Stations.	Ordained Missionaries.	Native Preachers.	Communicants.	Pupils.
American Baptist Home,	18	4	15	1,163	190
Methodist Episcopal,	24	19	33	1,790	1,343
Protestant Episcopal,	16	16	29	400	650
American Presbyterian,	11	16	24	1,484	476
Southern Baptist,	5	9		907	100
American Missionary,	10	12	38	271	356
Canadian Presbyterian,	3	3	1	180	39
Mennonites,	2	2			40
American Friends,	2	2	5	310	958
Canadian Methodists,	50	29	43	3,691	
Propagation Society,	8	7	1	116	300
Church Missionary,	37	28	75	1,400	948
Moravians,	15	35	78	1,355	634
Danish,	7	7	10	2,000	
Total, 14 Societies.	208	186	342	14,823	6,064

(L) CHINESE IN THE UNITED STATES.

SOCIETIES.	Stations.	Ordained Missionaries.	Native Preachers.	Communicants.	Pupils.
American Baptist Home,	3	1	1	75	
Methodist Episcopal,	5	2	10	87	500
American Presbyterian,	2	4	7	263	703
Southern Baptist,	1	1			54
American Missionary,	1	1		124	1,864
Total, 5 Societies,	12	8	20	547	3,121

NOTE.—Statistics of the American Presbyterian Board, from its Report of 1885.

PRACTICAL WORK IN MEXICO.

The Rev. T. F. Wallace writes from Zacatecas, December 17, 1885, in a letter of much interest, as follows:

I have just returned from my second regular missionary tour among the churches of the Laguna district this year. Lerdo and Leocadias I have visited three or four times. Every moment of time during the trip was so taken up that it was impossible to write down for you the many interesting incidents connected with the places visited. And now other work crowds me so that I can only give you a few of the most marked. By way of introduction, I may say that the eight congregations and preaching places we visited in this part of our field have the ministrations and pastoral care of two licensed and three lay preachers. Only two of them are under thirty years of age. The others are men of considerable experience and good judgment. None of them rank high as popular speakers, but their acquaintance with the Scriptures, high standing as honorable men and as sincere Christians, make them all, with but perhaps one exception, admirably suited for the kind of work this field demands.

One of them, Mr. Amaya, a man much the superior of the others in every way, has spent a great part of his time visiting all the churches, thus aiding the others in settlement of difficulties, and putting in practice new methods of Sabbath-school and church work. I may say of all the churches except one that in numbers and interest there has been a very marked increase since my last visit. This in part may be due to the fairly good crops of cotton, corn and wheat harvested this year, and which had been in some places a partial and in others a complete failure for the last three years. The return during the year of an abundant rise of the rivers Názas and Guernavál, on which the lands of the whole district are dependent for irrigation, has brought many of our people from other places and caused many to return who had been compelled to leave on account of scarcity of work. Within a circuit very little longer than that made in visiting our churches, there are twenty-five to thirty ranches and haciendas, with populations varying from one hundred to several thousands, in all of which are to be found one or more members of our congregation, or at least believers. I was accompanied on my late trip by Mr. Amaya. He had advised the people of our coming. Our little congregation at the hacienda of Sacramento, the second place visited after leaving Lerdo, had made arrangements to hold services in a larger and more central house, which had been rented by a woman of the congregation. Our audiences here have seldom numbered over fifty, and that rarely. This time at our first service we had over one hundred. The order and attention were the very best. It was calculated that at least half the number were witnessing Protestant

services for the first time. We and our people were rejoicing in the bright prospects, and promising ourselves a more delightful time the following night, when members were to be received and the Lord's Supper administered. The next morning, however, the aspect of affairs had changed.

The fanatical owner of the hacienda had ordered, through the highest civil officer in the place, the immediate ejection of the woman in whose house services had been held. Mr. Amaya and I called upon the owner, but could not get him to agree to allow the woman to remain in the house, although we offered to hold worship elsewhere, nor was he willing that Protestant worship should be held in the ranch. We concluded that the proper person to see was the civil magistrate, and to him we went.

He informed us that he had an order from his chief, the mayor of Lerdo, to consult with the owner of the hacienda in regard to everything and be subject to him. He pretended to look for the order, but of course it could not be found. He would not consent to our holding services. Mr. Amaya and several others went later to visit this magistrate and try to have him to put his refusal on paper. He at first consented, then seeing where this might lead him, he pretended to get mad and was on the point of putting Amaya and the others in jail. To avoid any trouble we concluded to obey the unlawful order. But that night our own people, and many who had heard us the night previous for the first time, hunted us up in the humble hut where we were stopping.

The room in about ten or fifteen minutes was completely packed, and crowds about the door, all hungry to hear something from God's word and witness our service. There was no formal preaching, yet portions of Scripture were read and expounded. To appreciate the deep interest shown by these people, it must be kept in mind that their conduct might bring them loss of home and means of supporting themselves in that hacienda. The following day we left to fill appointments at other places, assuring our brethren that on our return to Lerdo we should see the mayor of Lerdo, and find out whether he could secure to them the rights guaranteed them by the laws. The time of our visit to the mayor some three weeks later could not have been more opportune. While in his room informing him of our treatment at the hands of the owner of the hacienda, and his tool, the civil magistrate, the latter passed by the door and was called in by the mayor, who had us repeat what had occurred between said officer and ourselves. Then followed a most severe reprimand from the mayor, who not only told him that our people were to be allowed to worship wherever and whenever they pleased in conformity with the laws, but that he was to see to preserving order and keeping them from being molested. The mayor also gave a circular letter to Mr. Amaya that instructs all the authorities in ranches and haciendas under his jurisdiction to see that Mr. Amaya, his assistants and people who wished to receive their preaching, have all the protection necessary.

The San Pedro church was the next place visited. This church has had from the first the almost exclusive labors of Mr. Amaya, and its growth and present flourishing condition are the best proofs we could have of his being eminently fitted for pastoral work.

Communion services were held, and thirteen adults, besides nineteen children, were baptized. As I shall have to write more particularly in my annual report of these churches, I shall only say here that the interest in all of them has increased in a marked degree. The little congregation at Viesca has raised and handed over to me money to pay duties on an organ. Mr. Amaya has been working with more than usual vigor to get the people to understand the duty and privilege of Christian giving, and with some success, as you will find when reports go on. The congregation at Lerdo have been taking steps towards raising money to get ground for a church and its erection. A Mr. Schmidt, on learning that we were in great need of a chapel and wished to build, said I might count on him for two hundred dollars. So I think our people will take courage and go forward.

We thought last July, when the Board announced that our estimates had to be greatly reduced, that a great calamity had overtaken us, but we think we can now see the Lord's hand in it all, for it has been made the means of furthering rather than retarding our work. The straitened circumstances of the Board have been brought to the attention of our churches, and the fact has proved a more effectual argument to move the people to take steps toward self-support than any we have yet employed. Our native preachers and some of the more influential members have taken the matter in hand, and already with encouraging success measures are being employed to secure systematic and conscientious giving. I must now close with this additional item connected with my late trip.

There were fifty-nine persons received into the church; thirty-four were received on profession of faith, and twenty-six of these were baptized. There were besides these twenty-five children baptized. Had it not been for the trouble at Sacramento, many more would no doubt have been received.

MISSION WORK AT KOLHAPORE, INDIA, IN 1885.

The Rev. J. M. Goheen, under date of December 31, 1885, gives a short review of work under his charge in the last year. Our limited space requires a part of it to be briefly summarized; but its general course shows that good work is in progress at that station and its vicinity.

The work at this (Kolhapore) station, India, has been divided between Mr. Seiler and me, as it was last year.

In regard to the church I have to report that the Sunday P.M. service has been held in the home chapel, as usual. This service has been attended by all the Christians who were not engaged in other religious duties, such as Sabbath-school teaching, or preaching at the same hour in the city. Hindus have also attended; but as the chapel is more than a mile from the city, not as many attend as we would like to see. During my absence on a tour, in April, this service was conducted by one of the elders, who is also a licentiate preacher.

Early in the year, after having talked to the members several times on the duty of giving to the Lord, I decided to take up a collection after the sermon every Sunday. Nearly thirty rupees have been received in this way, notwithstanding the fact that many of the members give their tenth as well.

[The report next speaks of the daily and weekly prayer-meetings as encouraging, and adds:]

Requests from different members for prayer for relatives and friends have been made, and direct answers to such prayers have been given by God. I may only give one example. A son asked prayer for his father, mother, sisters and brothers still in heathenism. One of the brothers was converted and baptized very soon after prayer had been asked. The rest of the family—eight in number—have all given up idolatry, and are inquiring what they must do to be saved. After the son had been baptized, the Hindu wanted his father to draw up a paper declaring that his two sons who had become Christians were dead, promising him if he did so that they would still treat him and his family as though they had not been disgraced by these two sons. The old man said no, that his sons were *not* dead, and that he too was going to follow in their footsteps.

The number of members is smaller than at the beginning of the year, owing to the fact that a church was organized at Itiwadie early in December, where a number of the members of this church live, consequently they and their children have been transferred to that church.

During the year four adults have been baptized and received into the church on profession of their faith in Christ. Two members have been received by letter, from other churches. Nine children have been baptized. One adult and three baptized children have died, and one child died in infancy before it had been baptized. The church roll is as follows at the end of 1885: Number of communicants, 47; number of baptized children, 37. Total number of members, 84.

[The report next refers to the Sunday-schools and the orphanage—the former as having “grown in numbers and interest,” pursued the study of lessons, and made “a Christmas offering,” very liberal for them, of \$30; the latter giving two of the girls as assistant teachers in other schools, and reporting two who had been persuaded to run away, but were glad to come back, and were doing well. Some sickness had occurred, owing to overcrowding, which calls for enlarged room.]

About two years ago a young man—a *gosavi*—was taken into the orphanage. He got on fairly well with his studies, and at the beginning of this year was set to work as a teacher in a small school. He thought the pay was too little, and in fact nothing pleased him, so a few months ago he left and took up his old profession—religious begging. Not long since he stopped here over night, and on leaving in the morning said to me that he was serving God now, not man; implying that he was not in God's service while here.

TOURING.

The Christian school had vacation during the month of April. I took advantage of this for a tour in the Concan. Five of the oldest boys accompanied me and assisted in selling books, talking to the people, singing, etc. We were kindly treated in all the towns and villages we visited. Some asked why we had never told them the "glad tidings" before. The towns on that side of the mountains are not compactly built, so in order to reach the people we had literally to go preaching "from house to house;" I may also add "in the heat of the day," for the laboring classes were only at home from twelve until two o'clock. Their condition, both temporal and spiritual, is sad in the extreme. On asking a man in one village what god was worshipped there, he replied, "The betel nut; we first worship it and then eat it." He said they knew no other god. We reached home the last of April, having travelled over two hundred miles. I visited and examined several government schools, and preached twenty-five times while away.

COLPORTAGE.

The Bombay Bible Society's colporteur has continued his work under my supervision. His sales have fallen off about one half this year, owing to the fact that he has been over the ground so often. He sold over seventeen hundred books in all, and with few exceptions he was kindly treated wherever he went.

THE VAST WORK STILL TO BE DONE IN SHANTUNG.

What has already been accomplished, in comparison with what remains to be done, is only as a drop in the bucket. Numberless towns and villages throughout the province have not a single convert. Every place is now open, so there is no hindrance, except a lack of laborers. The province has an estimated population in round numbers of thirty millions. The number of missionaries laboring in the province is 63; of this number, 30 are ordained men, 25 are the wives of missionaries, and six are single ladies.

This province has an area of 53,768 square miles. Its name signifies the hill province. Here stands the sacred Tai Shan or Great Mountain, now covered with temples and altars. To this mountain multitudes of pilgrims yearly resort and offer worship. Kings and sages have repeatedly visited this mountain and left many monuments to record their visits. Continuous worship has been offered there, dating back to the time of Abraham, and no one knows how much longer. There are in many places hills and mountain ranges, but the greater portion is level land, and cultivated with the utmost care. Wheat, millet, sorghum, beans, Indian corn, sweet potatoes and a great variety of vegetables are successfully grown. Peaches, apricots, plums, cherries, grapes, walnuts, chestnuts and a great variety of fruits and nuts are cultivated. There are rich mines of coal, iron, gold, silver, limestone, as yet practically untouched. Quarries of marble and fine building stone abound.

The winters are cold, summers comparatively cool. The atmosphere dry, except during the rainy season, in July and August. There are, perhaps, few regions in any land where the climate is more favorable to long life and hard toil.

This province is one of thrilling historic interest. It is the birth-place of Confucius and the scene of his labors. His chief disciples, whose lives and writings have left a lasting impression on the literature, civilization and government of China, were also from this province. The people are large and strong, law-abiding and possessed of great energy and industry.

No more hopeful or promising field for aggressive and enlarged missionary work could be desired than this and the adjoining provinces now afford.—*Rev. Hunter Corbett.*

WHAT KIND OF CHRISTIANS ARE CHINESE CONVERTS?

Since my arrival in America, a few weeks since, the question has frequently been asked, What kind of Christians do the Chinese make? Do they cut off their cues, change their style of dress, adopt our civilization? etc., etc. As to the first of these questions, it is necessary to understand clearly what constitutes a true Christian. Is it the color of a man's skin, the cut of his clothing and the food he eats? Is it not

rather, living faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God shed abroad in the heart by the Holy Spirit, a forsaking of sin, and a life of humble, willing and loyal obedience to our Saviour's commands? If this is what God regards as essential in a Christian profession, the Chinese Christians need fear comparison with no other people. I can witness in behalf of hundreds to their childlike faith in the power and willingness of God to fulfill every promise in the Bible, to their unshaken faith in the efficacy of prayer, their love for the Scriptures, and their honest and faithful effort to live blameless lives. Not a few, including some well advanced in life, have persevered in the study of the Scriptures until they are able with the greatest ease to repeat chapter after chapter, and sometimes *entire books*, from both Old and New Testaments. Not only have they committed large portions to memory, but they are able to explain them.—*Rev. Hunter Corbett.*

STANDING FAST UNDER PERSECUTION.

Last year, during the war with France, an officer arrested one of my members in Shantung, China, and ordered him to receive eight hundred blows with the bamboo. For months this man could not move without great pain. He will carry the scars with him to his grave. He violated no law. His only crime was that he had forsaken idolatry and embraced the Christian religion. Did this treatment cause him to forsake the truth? No; it proved the means of intensifying his love for Jesus. He could die, but he could not deny the Saviour, whom he had found precious to his soul. He is now daily going from village to village pleading with men to trust in Christ Jesus for salvation.

Another man, upward of sixty years of age, was arrested by the same officer and beaten four hundred blows. He was not then a member of the Church. Some of his heathen neighbors saw him enter a Christian church, and accused him to the officer as being a member of the hated sect. He was in the hospital for months before his wounds were healed. He has since then, with his wife and other members of his family, been baptized, and they are strong witnesses for the cause of Christ.

Another Christian met with inhuman treatment. His thumbs were tightly bound together, and he was by them suspended to a beam, stripped and beaten until much of his body was bruised and swollen. His house was burned, and he compelled to flee for his life. Again and again did he attempt to return to his home, but only to meet more cruel treatment, and again he was compelled to flee.—*Rev. Hunter Corbett.*

PEACE IN DEATH.

It is in the hour of death in China that perhaps the contrast between a heathen and a Christian is most marked. The heathen meets death as a criminal goes to the place of execution. Not a ray of hope or joy beams in his heart. The Christian, however, passes away in triumph.

Lately a man, seventy-six years of age, called his children and grandchildren around his bed, pleaded with them not to bury him as a heathen, told them of his peace in believing in Jesus, of his unwavering hope of bliss in heaven, entreated them all to give their hearts to Jesus and live only for him, saying that then he should hope to meet them in the better world. He then prayed for them and for the Church, committed his soul to Jesus, and quietly breathed his last.

Two years ago another man, who had for many years served the Lord faithfully as a preacher, died a peaceful death. This, together with his patience and resignation during his long illness, made an impression upon his wife that all his prayers and exhortations could not produce. She resolved that she would at once begin to study the truth and pray. It was not long before she applied for baptism, and she is now a happy and consistent Christian.

A young man who had memorized almost the entire New Testament, and who had the ministry in view, was called away when near the end of his college course. When near his end, and unable to speak, he called for writing material, and continued to the very last to write of the exceeding preciousness of Christ Jesus. His one great sorrow was that his father would not give up his idols and accept of Christ.—*Rev. Hunter Corbett.*

RECEIPTS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS IN JANUARY, 1886.

BALTIMORE.—*Baltimore*—Baltimore Aisquith St. sab-sch., 12; Baltimore Broadway, 1 50, sab-sch. Pastor's Class, 4 50; Baltimore Brown Mem., 1 50 14; Baltimore Central sab-sch.,* 17; Baltimore Faith Chapel, for Sidon, 40; Baltimore Light St. sab-sch., 6 12; Baltimore Westminster Mission Silver Star Miss. Band 25; Bel Air sab-sch.,* 8 80; Churchville sab-sch.,* 5 50; Deer Creek Harmony, 25; Fallston, 5; Hagerstown sab-sch.,* 28 cts.; Baltimore Boundary Ave., 93; Henry D. Harvey, 60. *New Castle*—Delaware City sab-sch.,* 6 60; Elkton sab-sch.,* 9 30; Forest 1st sab-sch.,* 6 70; Green Hill, 10; Lower Brandywine, 10; Port Deposit sab-sch., 28 90; Red Clay Creek, 16; Wilmington Hanover St. sab-sch.,* 25; Wilmington West sab-sch.,* 12 60; Rockland sab-sch., 10. *Washington City*—Darnestown and sab-sch., 20 89; Falls Church sab-sch.,* 5 20; Washington 1st, 55 95; Washington New York Ave. sab-sch.,* 3 35; Washington North, 2 53; Washington Westminster, 63; Rev. J. E. Nourse, 5. 744 86

COLORADO.—*Boulder*—Fairview sab-sch.,* 5; Longmont Central 45; Valmont, 1 85. *Denver*—Denver 13th Ave, 30; Golden-5. *Pueblo*—Bessemers sab-sch.,* 8; Colorado Springs, 195 20; La Jara 2d, 8; Mesa sab-sch.,* 5 85. *Santa Fé*—El Rito, 3; Mora, 2. 308 90

COLUMBIA.—*Idaho*—Kania, 45; Lewiston 5, sab-sch.,* 7; Spokane Falls, 10 60; North Fork, 5 70; Lapwai, 13; Agency, 13 10. *Oregon*—Eugene City sab-sch.,* 9; Portland 1st, 116 72; Portland Calvary, 95 07; Albina, 7 25. *Puget Sound*—Seattle 1st,* 10; Sumner, 5, sab-sch.,* 15; Tacoma 1st sab-sch.,* 13. 370 44

DAKOTA.—*Aberdeen*—Ellendale, 4 17. *Central Dakota*—Woonsocket sab-sch. Infant Class, 5. *Southern Dakota*—Canon sab-sch.,* 3 35; Harmony, 2 71; Parker, 4 34; Scotland, 3, sab-sch.,* 10. 32 57

ILLINOIS.—*Alton*—Carlyle, 5 50, sab-sch. Birthday Miss. Soc., 5, Children's Band, 6 35; Whitehall and sab-sch. Christmas Birthday Offering, 20. *Bloomington*—Chatsworth sab-sch.,* 3; Hoopston sab-sch., 4 25; Ransomville sab-sch.,* 3 61; Towanda sab-sch.,* 1; Urbana, 3, sab-sch., 1, for France; Wenona sab-sch.,* 10; Bement 1st, 16 42. *Cairo*—Cairo sab-sch.,* 6 75; Fairfield, 5; Grand Tower, 3 61; Nashville, 10, sab-sch., 5; Shawneetown, 17 35; Tamaroa, 20, sab-sch.,* 3 90; Mt. Vernon, 18 65, sab-sch.,* 3 65. *Chicago*—Braidwood, 5; Chicago 1st, for McAll Mission, 93 70; Chicago 2d sab-sch.,* 26 73; Chicago 4th, 2000; Augusta, 12; Joliet 1st, 20; Lake Forest 1st sab-sch., for Brazil, 30; Peotone, 48 41; Will, 12 25, sab-sch.,* 3 75. *Freeport*—Elizabeth, 10. *Mattoon*—Prairie Bird, 13; Tower Hill, 13; West Okaw sab-sch.,* 15. *Ottawa*—Aurora 1st, 12 35; Rochelle, 12; Union Grove, 5. *Peoria*—Delvan sab-sch., 25 89; Elmwood, 11; Elmira, 12; Galesburgh, 117 90, sab-sch., for China, 25; Henry, 6; Lewistown, 30; Princeville, 20. *Rock River*—Aledo sab-sch., 7 50; Morrison, 29 55; Rock Island Central, 25. *Schuyler*—Camp Point sab-sch.,* 5; Carthage sab-sch.,* 2 60, sab-sch., 7 68; Elvaston, 6; Mount Sterling sab-sch., 21; Oquawka sab-sch.,* 6; Perry sab-sch.,* 3; Springfield—Greenview, 5; Springfield 1st, 42 75; Jacksonville Westminster sab-sch., 11 20, sab-sch.,* 10 10; State Street, 39 26. 2974 65

INDIANA.—*Crawfordsville*—Delphi, 20 85; Lexington sab-sch., North Branch, 6; Singar Creek, 5 10. *Fort Wayne*—Kendallville, 13 15. *Indianapolis*—Acton, 2 60; Columbus sab-sch., 1 55; Hopewell sab-sch.,* 6 04; Indianapolis 12th, 19 19; Southport, 4 50, sab-sch., 5 30; White Lick, 12 10. *Logansport*—Concord,* 2 57; Logansport Broadway sab-sch.,* 6 15; Valparaiso, 22 76. *Muncie*—Muncie, 24; Pern, 29 50; Wabash, 9 25, sab-sch.,* 10. *New Albany*—Hanover, 12 50, sab-sch.,* 3 20; Madison 2d, 15 60; New Albany 2d, 32 15; Seymour, 29 29. *Vincennes*—Mount Vernon, 6 60; Petersburg, 3 70, sab-sch.,* 2 23; Poland, 5 04; Terre Haute Moffatt St., 2 23; Vincennes, 26 27, sab-sch., 17 54; Worthington sab-sch., 2 25. *White Water*—Brookville, 12 50; Connorsville 1st, 46 65; Kingston, Miss Mary E. Hamilton, 500; Newcastles, 8 13; Richmond, 34 35. 936 01

IOWA.—*Cedar Rapids*—Blairtown sab-sch.,* 4 20; Clinton, 1; Marion sab-sch.,* 5 50; Richland Centre,

15; Vinton, 40, sab-sch., 22; Wyoming, 40. *Council Bluffs*—Brooks, 1; Essex sab-sch.,* 2; Malvern sab-sch., Mrs. S. L. McAfee, 3 50; Menlo sab-sch.,* 6; Nowataway, 1; Shenandoah, 29. *Des Moines*—Adel, 8 25; Des Moines South, 3; East Des Moines, 27 83; Rev. A. A. Mathes, 5; Wankee, 3 20; Middletown sab-sch., 2 50. *Dubuque*—Manchester, 7. *Fort Dodge*—Goshen sab-sch.,* 12 64. *Iowa*—Fairfield sab-sch.,* 1; Kosciusko 1st, 7 65; Middletown, 3 70; Morning Sun sab-sch., for China, 35; Keokuk, 38 07, sab-sch.,* 50 cts. *Iowa City*—Crawfordsville, 5; Manngo, 3 24; Montezuma, 5; Washington, 20 90; West Liberty, 7 86, sab-sch.,* 8 51. *Waterloo*—Ackley, A. G. Arends, 10; Grundy Centre, 10 64, sab-sch., 1 36, sab-sch.,* 5 50; Morrison, 6; State Centre, 3 50; Waterloo sab-sch.,* 4 50. 413 75

KANSAS.—*Emporia*—Burlingame sab-sch., 23. *Highland*—Hiawatha, 8; Highland sab-sch.,* 6. *Indian Territory*—North Fork sab-sch.,* 10 10; Wealaka, 13. *Larned*—Hutchinson, 75, sab-sch.,* 12 50; McPherson sab-sch., for China, 12 50; Halstead 1st sab-sch., 8. *Noesho*—Columbus, 7; Fort Scott,* 6 60; Garnett sab-sch.,* 12; Humboldt, 23 25; McCune, 10; Neosho Falls, 5 25, sab-sch.,* 7 35; Osage 1st, 23; Parsons, 33 50, Young People, 6. *Solomon*—Concordia, 44 50; Delphos, 2; Lincoln Blue Ribbon Band, 2 50; Solomon, 20. *Topeka*—Manhattan, 40; Wamego, 5. 416 05

KENTUCKY.—*Ebenezer*—Mount Sterling sab-sch.,* 4 20; Murphysville, 6; Paris, 21. *Louisville*—Princeton 1st, 5. *Transylvania*—Lebanon 1st, 17. 53 20

MICHIGAN.—*Detroit*—Detroit Calvary sab-sch.,* 1 50; Detroit Westminster, 318 01; Milan, 2 50, sab-sch., 65 cts., sab-sch.,* 1 10; Mount Clemens sab-sch.,* 8 60; Plymouth 2d sab-sch.,* 1; South Lyon 1st, 37 50; Ypsilanti 1st, 50; Milford sab-sch., for Persia, 15. *Grand Rapids*—East Bay, 2; Elk Rapids, 5; Greenwood, 5. *Kalamazoo*—Allegan 1st sab-sch.,* 5; Buchanan sab-sch.,* 8; Constantine, 5; Kendall, 10; Martin, 4, sab-sch.,* 1 50; Sturgis, 24 61, sab-sch., 2 39. *Lansing*—Brooklyn sab-sch.,* 10 35; Concord, 21 46; Jackson sab-sch.,* 5. *Monroe*—Hillsdale, 25 36. *Saginaw*—Bay City, 50; Emerson, 24 58; Lafayette, 1 25. 616 36

MINNESOTA.—*Mankato*—Le Sener 1st, 22; sab-sch., 6 45; Worthington Westminster, sab-sch., a member, 2; Worthington Westminster, 54 11. *Red River*—Moorhead sab-sch.,* 4 40. *St. Paul*—Brown's Valley, 5; Farmington sab-sch., 3 72; Minneapolis 1st, 148 39, sab-sch.,* 27 47; Minneapolis Andrew sab-sch.,* 50 cts.; Minneapolis Suihlo, 14 54, sab-sch.,* 5 37; Minneapolis Bethlehem, 17 74, sab-sch.,* 1 35; St. Paul Central, 28 37; St. Paul House of Hope sab-sch.,* 26 35; Wilmar, 2 60. *Winnona*—Bethel, 4; Chatfield sab-sch., for Gaboon, 22, * 10 64; La Crescent, 3; Winona Ger., 10. 420 00

MISSOURI.—*Osage*—Knob Noster sab-sch.,* 5 90; Sedalia 1st sab-sch., 3. *Ozark*—Carthage, 37 50. *Palmyra*—Hannibal 1st, 25; Day Spring Band Miss. Soc., for Mexico, 50, sab-sch.,* 30; Shellyville, 5. *Platte*—Albany, 3 50; Gallatin, 5; New Point, 6 57; Oregon, 6 65; Parkville, 9 25; Rosendale, 3. *St. Louis*—Bethel Ger. sab-sch., 10; Carondelet sab-sch., "Birthday Box," 10; Ferguson, 4 60; Mrs. Gastine, 25 cts.; "C L A.," 60; St. Louis 2d Ger., 3; W-ester Groves, 13 75, sab-sch.,* 10. 301 97

NEBRASKA.—*Hastings*—Spring Branch sab-sch.,* 1; Culbertson 1st, 4. *Kearney*—Plum Creek, 8 20, sab-sch., 2 80; Rev. J. Schaedel, 3. *Nebraska City*—Alexandria, 3; Hickman Ger., 9; Seward, 27, sab-sch., 6. *Niobrara*—Oakdale, 4 09. *Omaha*—Blackbird Hills sab-sch.,* 15; Omaha 2d, 76 58. 159 67

NEW JERSEY.—*Corisco*—Benita Girls' School,* 5. *Elizabeth*—Cranford sab-sch., 20, * 15 46; Elizabeth 1st sab-sch.,* 15 70; Elizabeth 2d, 31; Metuchen sab-sch.,* 7 70; New Providence, 16 25; Plainfield 1st sab-sch.,* 10 86; Pluckman sab-sch.,* 11 32; Jersey Ladies' Miss. S'wing Soc., 35. *Jersey City*—Jersey City 1st sab-sch.,* 13; Jersey City 2d, 21 42; Passaic 1st, 28 26; Rutherford 1st sab-sch.,* 14. *Monmouth*—Farmingdale, 40, sab-sch.,* 5; Lakewood, 30 95; Manchester sab-sch.,* 5; Tuckerton sab-sch.,* 1 28. *Morris and Orange*—Bounton, 125;

Chester, 75, sab-sch., 30; Dover, 48 92, * 25; East Orange 1st, 500; Madison, 223 79; Morristown South St. sab-sch., * 27 35, Miss. Soc., for Syria, * 50; Sterling, 12; Succasunna sab-sch., for Persia, 50; South Orange sab-sch., * 7 30; Vailsburg sab-sch., 1. *Newark*—Bloomfield Westminster, 103 35; Caldwell sab-sch., * 4; Lyon's Farms, 40 15; Newark Calvary, 36 01, sab-sch., * 18 54; Newark South Park, 454 42; Montclair Paul Babcock, for sup. a missionary, 50, sab-sch., * 30 38. *New Brunswick*—Amwell United 1st, 28; Dayton, 24 18; Milford, 27 50; New Brunswick 2d sab-sch., * 17; Princeton 1st, 152 45, sab-sch., 89 38; Trenton 1st, 600; Trenton 2d, 30; Trenton 4th sab-sch., * 7; Trenton 5th, 10, sab-sch., * 21; Lawrenceville sab-sch., * 2 60. *Newton*—Belvidere 1st, 219 11; Blairstown, 206 25, sab-sch., * 12 20; Danville sab-sch., * 10; Deckertown, 19, sab-sch., * 5; Greenwich, 14 06; Newton sab-sch., * 12 43; North Hardiston sab-sch., * 4; Oxford 1st, 55 80; Yellow Frame, 8 21; Andover, 1 58, sab-sch., * 1 61. *West Jersey*—Bridgeton 1st, 72 37; Bridgeton 2d, 23 31, sab-sch., 22 68; Cape Island sab-sch., * 4; Salem sab-sch., 114 26, * 10, 4097 39

NEW YORK.—*Albany*—Albany State St., 256 48; Bullston Spa sab-sch., 12 55; Carlisle, 18 50, * 1 70; Gloversville sab-sch., * 12 70; Hamilton Union, 20; New Scotland, 7. *Binghamton*—Bainbridge, 31 15, sab-sch., * 9 25; Binghamton 1st, 118 03; Cortlandt sab-sch., 100, * 20 78; Nichols, 5 50; Smithville Flats, 9 72. *Brooklyn*—Brooklyn 1st, 871; Brooklyn 2d, 241 12; Brooklyn Franklin Ave., 17 12; Brooklyn Greene Ave., 13 34; Brooklyn Lafayette Ave., 3094 18; Brooklyn South 3d St., E. D., 27 23, Ger. sab-sch., 89 98; Brooklyn Westminster, 243 25; Edgewater 1st, 57 23; Calvary West New Brighton sab-sch., * 17 45; Mem. Ch. sab-sch. infant class birthday boxes, for Persia, 9. *Buffalo*—Buffalo Breckenridge St. sab-sch., 4; Buffalo East, 15; Buffalo Lafayette St., 36 71, sab-sch., * 15; Buffalo North, 108 29; Buffalo Westminster, 95 05; East Aurora, 26, sab-sch., 14; East Hamburgh sab-sch., * 3; Sherman sab-sch., * 6. *Cayuga*—Aurora, 113 30; Ithaca, 581 30, sab-sch., * 40 62. *Champlain*—Fort Covington, 26 50. *Chemung*—Elmira Lake St., 50 09; Hector, 20. *Columbia*—Greenville, 25, sab-sch., 5; Valatie, Mr. C. F. Davis, 50; St. Peter's, 4; Austerlitz, 1. *Genesee*—Attica, 154 20; Batavia, 330; Bergen sab-sch., 11; Castile, 44 19, * 6; North Bergen, 4 60; Warsaw, 121, sab-sch., 31 78. *Genesee Valley*—Angelica, 9 06; Bradford, 59 58; Franklinville, 10; Olean, 31, sab-sch., * 11 05. *Genesee*—Canandagua, 8 65, sab-sch., 38 92; Canoga, 5 10; Geneva 1st, 49 64; Phelps sab-sch., 30; Seneca Castle sab-sch., 15 50, * 4 50; Trumansburgh sab-sch., 20. *Hudson*—Goshen, 77 28, sab-sch., * 1 10; Hamptonburgh, 23, sab-sch., 10; Haverstraw 1st, 13 22; Hopewell, 27 50; Middletown 2d, 24 76; Central ch. and sab-sch., 50; Monroe, * 6 56; Nyack, 13 50; Port Jervis, 37 35; Scotchtown sab-sch., * 4; Washingtonville 1st, 50. *Long Island*—Bridgehampton, 28; Easthampton 1st, 104 58; Port Jefferson, 5; Southampton sab-sch., for Syria, 30. *Lyons*—Fairville, 4 32; Newark sab-sch., * 3; Palmyra, 71 90, sab-sch., * 18. *Nassau*—Islip, 40; Melville, 9 31; Smithtown, 7; Pastor, 3. *New York*—New York Allen St. sab-sch., 5; New York Calvary, 5 90, sab-sch., * 14; New York Canal St., 8; New York Covenant, 535; New York 84th St., 30 66; New York 5th Ave., 14,081 54; New York 1st sab-sch., 120 10; New York 14th St., 78; New York Scotch, 1017, sab-sch., for China, 120; New York University Place, 12,908 52, infant class, * 2; Rev. C. Jewett Collins, 25; Union 1st, 44 10. *Niagara*—Knowlesville, 28. *North River*—Cornwall, 6 30; Freedom Plains, 47 10, Mrs. B. Gilbert, 30; Newburg 1st sab-sch., * 1 55; Newburg Calvary, 10 68; Poughkeepsie 1st sab-sch., 124 64; Pleasant Valley, 2 65. *Ots-go*—Cherry Valley sab-sch., * 6 40; Delhi 1st, 50; Hobart sab-sch., * 3 50; Middlefield Centre, 6 39. *Rochester*—Avon Central, 10 50; Livonia sab-sch., * 4 72; Mount Morris, two members, 1; Ogden sab-sch., * 8 40; Pittsford, 18; Rochester Brick, 264 88; Rochester 3d, 221 65; Rochester Westminster, 11 71; Sparta 1st sab-sch., * 3. *St. Lawrence*—Dexter, 14; Gouverneur, 78; Heuvelton, 3 20; Potsdam, 67 50; Theresa and sab-sch., * 10; Watertown 1st sab-sch., * 2. *Steuben*—Arkport, 10 83; Bath, 140; Campbell, 135; Pulteney, 5. *Syracuse*—Cazenovia, 100; Fayetteville, 33 17,

sab-sch., * 5 88; Fulton sab-sch., * 12 75; Liverpool, 4; Syracuse Park Central, 267; Syracuse Park sab-sch. Miss. Soc., 151 20. *Troy*—Lansingburgh Olivet sab-sch., * 14 51; Troy 2d sab-sch., * 17 32; Troy Oakwood Ave., 13 40; Troy Park, 45 44; Troy 2d St., 1358 91; Troy Woodside, 192 44. *Utica*—Booneville, 30; Clinton sab-sch., * 18 26; Holland Patent, 14 15; Martinsburgh, 7 70, sab-sch., 2 90; Oriskany, 8 96; Turin, 4 10, sab-sch., * 5 50; Utica Memorial sab-sch., * 16; Waterbury, 216 19; Williamstown, 13; Mt. Vernon, 44; Bethany, 26 86. *Westchester*—Bethany sab-sch., 10; Bridgeport 1st, for Syria, 1 95, sab-sch., * 17 40; Greenburgh sab-sch., * 23 47; Hartford, 90; Huguenot Memorial, 5; Peekskill 1st, 79 94; Rye sab-sch., * 30 cts.; Sing Sing sab-sch., * 8; Stamford 1st sab-sch., Mrs. T. Rich's Bible Class, 6; Youkers 1st, 149 04, Wm. Allen Butler, 50, 41,490 41

NORTH DAKOTA.—*Northern Pacific*—Rev. Q. L. Young, "tithe," 9 49; Lisbon 1st sab-sch., * 1 30, 10 79

OHIO.—*Athens*—Athens sab-sch., 20; Bristol, 5. *Bellefontaine*—Bellefontaine, 11 90; Crestline, 6; Urbana, 2. *Chillicothe*—Chillicothe 1st sab-sch., * 38 25; Chillicothe Memorial, 2; Union, 5. *Cincinnati*—Avondale, 156 10, In memoriam, 1; Bethel sab-sch., 8; Cincinnati 2d, 164 21; Cincinnati 3d, 66 53; Cincinnati Cumminsville, 22 31; Cleves and Berea Woman's Miss. Soc., Christmas offering, 20; Glendale, 92; Montgomery sab-sch., 23 66; Pleasant Ridge, 23 73; Sharonville, 5; Westwood, 29 42; Baxter Bequest, 365. *Cleveland*—East Cleveland, 27; Lafayette, 6; Rome sab-sch., * 5. *Columbus*—Columbus 2d sab-sch., * 38 02; Grove City, 2; London sab-sch., * 6; Scioto 4. *Dayton*—Camden, 2; Hamilton 1st sab-sch., 8 58; * 13 50; New Jersey, 12 37; Oxford, 47 55; Ruyley, 4; Springfield 1st, 153. *Huron*—Milan, 20 67. *Lima*—Columbus Grove sab-sch., * 5. *Mahoning*—Ellsworth, 75 50; Poland, 10; Youngstown 1st, 50 57. *Marion*—Iberia sab-sch., * 2 50; Marion, 30, * 19; Mount Gilead sab-sch., for China, 10 49; York, 5. *Maumee*—West Bethesda, 60; Weston, 3. *Portsmouth*—Manchester, 34; Mount Leigh, 9; Russellville, 15 52; West Union sab-sch., * 3. *St. Clairsville*—Buffalo sab-sch., primary class, for Siam, 5; Rock Hill sab-sch., 26 50, Rock Hill and Coal Brook sab-sch., * 4; Washington sab-sch., * 7. *Steubenville*—Bakersville sab-sch., * 2 70; Carrollton, 25; Linton sab-sch., * 2 10; Madison, 1 64; Two Ridges sab-sch., 16; Wellsville 1st sab-sch., 23; Yellow Creek W. F. M. Soc., 48 25. *Wooster*—Ashland, 33 70; Clear Fork, 3 50; Savannah, 39 61, sab-sch., * 14 60. *Zanesville*—Newark 2d, 5, 2006 98

PACIFIC.—*Bemicia*—Tomales, 12 70. *Los Angeles*—Orange sab-sch., 5 60; San Buenaventura sab-sch., 10. *Sacramento*—Chico, 15; Columbia sab-sch., * 2 30; Jeffersonville sab-sch., * 2. *San Francisco*—Oakland 1st, 63; San Francisco Howard sab-sch., * 43; San Francisco Westminster sab-sch., * 15 40; San Pablo, 6 60, sab-sch., * 2 40. *San José*—San Leandro, 6 15, 184 15

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 5. *Mattoon*—Vandalia, 5 25. *Peoria*—Astoria, 5;
 Lewistown, 30. *Schuyler*—Hamilton, 2; Oquawka, 1;
 Warsaw, 5. *Springfield*—Springfield 1st, 56 08, 111 33
 INDIANA.—*Crawfordsville*—Lafayette 2d, 26 51.
Fort Wayne—Kendallville ch. sab-sch., 5. *Muncie*—
 Wabash, 1 17. *New Albany*—New Albany 2d, 10 70.
 43 38
 IOWA.—*Cedar Rapids*—Cedar Rapids 1st, 1 50. *Des*
Moines—Moulton, 15; South Des Moines sab-sch., 3.
Iowa—Keokuk Westminster, 3 24; Middletown, 46
 cts. *Iowa City*—Crawfordsville, 6 50; Washington,
 2 64. *Waterloo*—Toledo ch. sab-sch., 1 75. 34 09
 KANSAS.—*Indian Territory*—McAlester, 9. *Neosho*—
 —Fort Scott 1st ch. sab-sch., 14 26; Princeton, 2.
 25 26
 KENTUCKY.—*Ebenezer*—Flemingsburgh, 7 00
 MICHIGAN.—*Detroit*—Detroit Westminster, 36 55
Grand Rapids—Ionia, 6 25; Montague, 6 90. *Lansing*
 —Concord, 2 71; Sunfield, 2. 54 41
 MINNESOTA.—*Red River*—Argyle, 31 50; Hallock
 ch. sab-sch., 4. *St. Paul*—McNair Memorial ch. sab-
 sch., 6 15; Minneapolis Bethlehem, 2 24. *Winona*—
 Winona Ger., 1. 44 89
 MISSOURI.—*Osage*—Sedalia ch. sab-sch., 3. *Pal-*
myra—Hannibal 1st, 5. *Platte*—Gallatin, 1. *St. Louis*
 —Farquharson, 4 35; Salem Ger., 2; Webster Groves,
 16 15; "C. L. A.," 40. 71 50
 NEBRASKA.—*Kearney*—Myra Valley Wilson Memo-
 rial, 6; North Loup, 4 02. *Omaha*—Blackbird Hills,
 1 75. 11 77
 NEW JERSEY.—*Elizabeth*—Elizabethport, 5; Wood-
 bridge, 8. *Monmouth*—Delanco, 2; Farmingdale, 3;
 Freehold 1st ch. sab-sch. from Mr. C. E. Hall's class,
 10; Mount Holly, 5. *Morris and Orange*—Boonton,
 8; Chester, 10; Dover, 13 62. *Newark*—Montclair ch.,
 add'l, 20; Newark Calvary, 3 29. *New Brunswick*—
 Hamilton Square, 5; New Brunswick 1st ch. sab-sch.,
 44 69. *Newton*—Belvidere 1st, 5; Greenwich, 1 90;
 Yellow Frame, 1 04. *West Jersey*—Bridgeton 1st, 20;
 May's Landing, 1 50; Salem ch. sab-sch., 7 10. 174 14
 NEW YORK.—*Albany*—Albany State St., 32 35;
 Corinth, 2; Rockwell Falls, 3 18. *Binghamton*—Bing-
 hamton 1st, 18 88. *Buffalo*—Buffalo Lafayette St.,
 1 19; Buffalo Westminster, 11 40. *Cayuga*—Aurora,
 15 10; Fair Haven, 2. *Champlain*—Peru, 5. *Chemung*
 —Watkins ch. sab-sch., 2 25. *Columbia*—Durham
 1st ch. sab-sch., 4 10; Hillsdale ch., 2. *Genesee*—
 Attica, 17 13. *Genesva*—Canandaigua ch. sab-sch.,
 14 42; Rev. J. R. Boyd, D.D., 20. *Hudson*—Middle-
 town 2d, 3 12; Nyack, 1. *Lyons*—Galen, 4; Lyons,
 11 73. *Nassau*—Astoria, 5. *New York*—New York
 Brick Church Chapel, 5. *North River*—Pleasant
 Valley, 15; Rev. W. J. McCord, 50 cts. *St. Lawrence*
 —Dexter, 2. *Stuben*—Arkport, 1 36; Bath, 25.
Syracuse—Cazenovia, 25. *Utica*—Mount Vernon (of
 which 15 from Thos. Williams, Esq.), 31; Utica West-
 minster, 25. *Westchester*—Pleasantville, 9. 314 63

NORTHERN DAKOTA.—*Northern Pacific*—Rev. Q. L.
 Young (tithe), 1 20
 OHIO.—*Athens*—Athens ch. sab-sch., 5; Gallipolis,
 10. *Bellefontaine*—Bellefontaine, 1 50; Buck Creek,
 4. *Cincinnati*—Cincinnati 2d, 92 69; Wyoming, 40.
Lima—Lima Main St. ch. sab-sch., 3 70. *Mahoning*
 —Massillon 2d, 41 14. *St. Clairsville*—Bannock, 1.
 199 03
 PACIFIC.—*Benicia*—Mendocino, 6 25. *Los Angeles*
 —Los Angeles 3d ch., 50. 56 25
 PENNSYLVANIA.—*Allegheny*—Sewickly, 38 16;
 Sharpshburgh, 17 49. *Butler*—Buffalo, 4; Westmin-
 ster, 5. *Chester*—Coatesville, 17; Honeybrook, 18 77.
Clarion—Oil City 2d, 1 34. *Erie*—Mercer 1st, 11;
 Titusville, 25. *Huntingdon*—Lewistown, 9 34; Spring
 Creek, 4. *Lackawanna*—Carbondale, 6. *Lehigh*—
 Allentown, 3 26; Mauch Chunk, 30 03; Pottsville
 2d, 5. *Northumberland*—Williamsport 2d, 3 15.
Philadelphia—Philadelphia 3d ch. sab-sch., 75; Phila-
 delphia 10th, 174 55; Philadelphia Bethany ch. sab-
 sch., 21 61; Philadelphia Eastburn Mariner's, 5 25.
Philadelphia Central—Philadelphia Alexander, 44 30;
 Philadelphia Arch St. ch. sab-sch., 25. *Philadelpha*
North—Frankford ch. monthly concert, 5 13; Man-
 ayunk, 10. *Pittsburgh*—Pittsburgh Central, 3. *Red-*
stone—Brownsville 5. *Shenango*—Hermon, 5; New
 Brighton, 8. *Washington*—Claysville, 8 22; Wash-
 ington 1st, 9 88; Wheeling 1st ch. sab-sch., 10. 608 48
 TENNESSEE.—*Kingston*—Madisonville, 3. *Union*—
 St. Luke's ch. sab-sch., 2. 5 00
 UTAH.—*Montana*—Deer Lodge, 2 00
 WISCONSIN.—*Milwaukee*—Milwaukee Holland, 5 00

Total from churches, January, 1886..... \$1,828 63

LEGACIES.

Balance of legacy of Mrs. Eliza G.
 Wallingford, dec'd, Pa..... \$984 47
 Balance from estate of Rev. W. M.
 Ferry, dec'd, late of Grand Ha-
 ven, Mich..... 2210 83
 3,195 30

MISCELLANEOUS.

John C. Green Fund, interest, 550; Burnet
 S. Reynolds, Orange Bend, Florida, 25;
 "Tithes," 4 62; Rev. A. M. Merwin,
 Monticello, Fla., 5; Colored M. E. ch.
 sab-sch., Fairmont, W. Va., 7 50; Col-
 lected by A. C. Stryker, 10; A. W. Wil-
 liams, 10; Collected by A. W. Williams,
 1 24; Collected by J. B. H. Hewitt, 85
 cts.; "R.," 2; Mrs. Austin Rogers, Cape
 Vincent, N. Y., 1; Miss E. M. Morse,
 Union, N. Y., 1; E. B. Watrous, Brook-
 lyn, N. Y., 1; Julia A. Olmstead, Rich-
 field, Utah, 2; Interest from investments,
 49; "C.," New York, 1; "C. H. M.,"
 New Jersey, 1 17; Religious Contribu-
 tion Society of Princeton Theo. Seminary,
 7 40..... 679 78

Total receipts in January, 1886..... \$5,703 76
 Total receipts from April 1, 1885..... \$35,268 91

S. D. POWELL, Treasurer.

BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION.

When this appears in print only one month will remain until our report for the Assembly must be closed. The last Assembly "*earnestly and confidently*" called upon the churches to contribute to this Board during the year not less than \$200,000 for this work. Up to the present time (nearly eleven months) our receipts from church collections amount to less than \$30,000, or \$170,000 less than the amount called for by the Assembly. This is a falling off from the receipts of the previous year of \$18,000.

Now what are we to do? The Assembly bids us go forward. The presbyteries, by their endorsement of applications calling for "*large and liberal*" grants for their weak churches, excite their expectations. The pastors of neighboring churches write us importunate letters urging the Board to increase its grants, while at the same time their collections for the Board are greatly curtailed or entirely withheld.

Amidst the scramble for more money from various quarters, we feel very reluctant to say one word in the form of complaint; and yet, in fidelity to the trust committed to us, in faithfulness to the poor of Christ's flocks who are looking to us and calling upon us for help which we cannot give, we must assume the attitude of suppliants at the doors of our more highly-favored churches for the means to shelter their own brethren who are suffering in the cold.

By the last Assembly the door of access to our exhausted treasury was more widely opened by directing us to apply to the legislature to remove the restrictions that limited our grants to *organized churches*. They were told at the time that every man that voted for this change, to be consistent, must double his contribution and that of his church to this Board; but instead of *increase*, there has been a sad falling off, in the church collections.

Again, the matter of building or helping to build manses was also thrown upon this Board by the last Assembly, and our people were urged to send us money for this purpose. Supposing the Assembly meant what they said by their vote, as the door was thus opened to them, scores of churches have applied to us for aid in this line; but all the money that we have received for this important work is \$650. A few hundred dollars expended in this way (if we had it) would save thousands to the Home Board, in reducing the salaries of their missionaries, many of whom cannot find suitable houses at any price. A missionary, writing to us a few days since, says, "My church is in the town, but I have to go four miles into the country to get shelter (such as it is) for my family." Another missionary says, "I have come out here alone, being obliged to leave my family behind me, as I can find no house to rent at any reasonable price." Another writes, "I must abandon my field of labor if I cannot get aid to build a manse, as no house is for rent here." From our personal knowledge, we have no hesitation in saying, the expense of living for many of these self-denying men

would be greatly reduced and their usefulness vastly increased by having a parsonage in which to live. The little church of thirteen members at Walthalla, Dakota, in a letter received from their missionary, say, "If there be no other way, we will pay ten per cent. interest for a loan of \$400 to enable us to get a home for our minister." The plan proposed by this Board is (if they can get the money) to lend these weak churches from \$200 to \$400 for two or three years without interest, to be paid back in installments, and then loaned to others—these loans to be secured by mortgage, as in the case of church buildings. Who will aid us in this work—who?

RECEIPTS FOR THE BOARD OF THE CHURCH ERECTION FUND IN JAN., 1886.

ATLANTIC.— <i>Yadkin</i> —Mocksville 2d, 1 00	20; Hammondsport, 9. <i>Syracuse</i> —Cazenovia, 25;
BALTIMORE.— <i>Baltimore</i> —Baltimore Brown Mem., sp., 40; Baltimore Lafayette Square, sp., 5; Baltimore Madison St. sab-sch., sp., 5; Ellicott City, 16 75; Hagerstown sab-sch., sp., 25; Williamsport sp., 5. <i>Washington City</i> —Washington 1st, 12 75; Washington Eastern, 1 84; Washington Westminster, 20. 131 34	Oswego Grace, 16 66; Otisco, 4. <i>Utica</i> —Vernon, 20. 457 61
COLORADO.— <i>Boulder</i> —Valmont, 46 cts. <i>Santa Fé</i> —Mora, 3. 3 46	NORTHERN DAKOTA.— <i>Pembina</i> —Westminster sab-sch., 4 00
COLUMBIA.— <i>Oregon</i> —East Portland 1st, 9; Jacksonville, 9; Portland 1st, 62 27; Portland Calvary, 53 45. 133 72	OHIO.— <i>Athens</i> —Athens sab-sch., 5. <i>Bellefontaine</i> —Bellefontaine 1st, 2 98. <i>Cincinnati</i> —Cincinnati 7th, 39 57; Wyoming, 40. <i>Dayton</i> —Springfield 2d, 35 56. <i>Lima</i> —Findlay, 14; Shanes Crossings, 5. <i>Mahoning</i> —Massillon 2d, 41 20. <i>Portsmouth</i> —Georgetown, 4. 187 31
ILLINOIS.— <i>Alton</i> —Steeleville, 1. <i>Bloomington</i> —Philo, 8 50; Urbana sab-sch., sp., 2. <i>Cairo</i> —Mt. Vernon, 1; Tamara, 20. <i>Chicago</i> —Chicago 4th, 25. <i>Freeport</i> —Galena South, 30 70. <i>Mattoon</i> —Vandalia, 5 25. <i>Ottawa</i> —Union Grove, 2 10. <i>Peoria</i> —Lewistown, 30; Limestone, 3. <i>Rock River</i> —Centre, 2 14. <i>Schuyler</i> —Brooklyn, 1; Quawka, 2. <i>Springfield</i> —Springfield 1st, 65 65. 199 34	PACIFIC.— <i>San José</i> —San José, 50 00
INDIANA.— <i>Crawfordsville</i> —Crawfordsville Central, 45; Frankfort, 12; Lafayette 2d, 38 89; Lebanon, 4 99. <i>Muncie</i> —Wabash, 2 31. <i>New Albany</i> —New Albany 2d, 21 44. 124 63	PENNSYLVANIA.— <i>Allegheny</i> —Sharpsburg, 22 28. <i>Blairsville</i> —Parrassus, 5. <i>Buller</i> —Buffalo, 4; Harrisville, 4; Westminster, 4. <i>Clarion</i> —Brookville, 1; Oil City 2d, 3 36. <i>Erie</i> —Erie Park, 25; Mercer 1st, 14. <i>Huntingdon</i> —Clearfield (of which sab-sch., 10), 22; Lewistown, 18 50; Spring Creek, 6. <i>Kittanning</i> —Cherry Run, 2 10. <i>Lehigh</i> —Allentown 1st, 6 47; Pottsville 2d, 5; Shenandoah, 3. <i>Northumberland</i> —Williamsport 2d, 3 95. <i>Philadelphia Central</i> —Philadelphia Alexander, 30 20. <i>Philadelphia North</i> —Frankford, 3 66; Manayunk, 10. <i>Pittsburgh</i> —Pittsburgh Bellefield, 10; Pittsburgh Central, 3. <i>Redstone</i> —Mt. Washington, 5 25. <i>Shenango</i> —Slippery Rock, 3. <i>Washington</i> —Washington 1st, 23 72; Wheeling 1st sab-sch., 10. 248 49
IOWA.— <i>Des Moines</i> —East Des Moines, 10. <i>Iowa</i> —Keokuk Westminster, 6 43; Middletown, 93 cts. <i>Iowa City</i> —Crawfordsville, 2; Washington, 5 22. 24 58	TENNESSEE.— <i>Holston</i> —Mt. Bethel, 1 00
KANSAS.— <i>Emporia</i> —Quenemo, 4. <i>Larned</i> —McPherson, 15. <i>Neosho</i> —Neodesha, 4. 23 00	WISCONSIN.— <i>Madison</i> —Fancy Creek, 5 80; Highland Ger., 5. <i>Milwaukee</i> —Juneau, 3. <i>Winnebago</i> —Auburndale, 5; Neenah, 20. 38 80
KENTUCKY.— <i>Ebenezer</i> —Flemingsburgh, 7 65. <i>Transylvania</i> —Paint Lick, 11 70. 19 35	Total from churches in January, 1886.....\$2,331 21
MICHIGAN.— <i>Detroit</i> —Detroit Westminster, 72 44; Unadilla, 3. <i>Lansing</i> —Concord, 5 36. <i>Saginaw</i> —Bay City 1st, 25; Ithaca, 3 28. 109 08	MISCELLANEOUS.
MINNESOTA.— <i>St. Paul</i> —Minneapolis Andrew, 50; Minneapolis Bethlehem, 4 43. <i>Winona</i> —Winona Ger., 2. 56 43	Thos. Williams, Vernon, N. Y., 15; Rev. Wm. H. Lyle, Dandridge, Tenn., 4; Rev. Chas. Jewett Collins, N. Y., 10; Rev. Q. L. Young (title), 2 37; Religious Contribution Society of Princeton Theological Seminary, 14 67; Prof. R. E. Wilder, Greenfield, Ill., 2; C. L. A., 20; C., N. Y., 4; C. H., M., N. J., 2 31; Interest on investments, 895; Premiums of insurance collected, 155 63; Sales of church plans, 6 25; Sales of church property, 619 50; Legacy—final payment estate E. G. Wallingford, dec'd, 984 47 2,735 20
MISSOURI.— <i>Osage</i> —Sedalia 1st sab-sch., 3. <i>Palmyra</i> —Hannibal 1st, 10. <i>Platte</i> —Gallatin, 2. <i>St. Louis</i> —St. Louis 2d, 5; Zion Ger., 4. 24 00	DONATIONS FROM INDIVIDUALS FOR SPECIAL OBJECTS.
NEBRASKA.— <i>Kearney</i> —St. Paul, 11; Scotia, 6. <i>Omaha</i> —Blair 1st, 12; Omaha 1st Ger., 7. 36 00	Rev. J. M. Maxwell, 5; Rev. S. A. Davenport, 2; Rev. W. Simonton, 15; C. T. Barnes, 5; C. E. Towne, 1; Mrs. R. L. Stuart, 100; Mrs. Elliot, 20; Mrs. John P. Duun, 10; Mrs. Russell Sage, 25; Miss Amelia J. Burt, 2; J. F. Coit, 45; Morris K. Jesup, 50; Mrs. S. F. Allen, 5. 285 00
NEW JERSEY.— <i>Elizabeth</i> —Clinton, 4 79; Elizabeth 1st, 73 34; Elizabeth 3d, sp., 8 50; Woodbridge 1st, 10. <i>Monmouth</i> —Allentown, 20. <i>Morris and Orange</i> —Chester, 10. <i>Newark</i> —Newark 3d, 198 63; Newark Calvary, 8 50. <i>New Brunswick</i> —Flemington, 33 84; Hamilton Square, 8. <i>Newton</i> —Belvidere 1st, 50; Greenwich, 3 42; Yellow Frame, 2 05. <i>West Jersey</i> —Bridgeton 1st, 25; May's Landing, 2. 458 07	Total receipts in January, 1886..... \$5,357 41
NEW YORK.— <i>Albany</i> —Albany State St., 64 13. <i>Binghamton</i> —Binghamton 1st, 33 05. <i>Boston</i> —Lawrence Ger., 10. <i>Buffalo</i> —Buffalo Lafayette St., add'l, 4 75; Buffalo Westminster, 22 82. <i>Cayuga</i> —Aurora, 33 98. <i>Champlain</i> —Peru, 2. <i>Chemung</i> —Elmira Lake St., 9 38; Watkins sab-sch., 6. <i>Genesee</i> —Wyoming 1st, 4 25. <i>Geneva</i> —Romulus, sp., 16. <i>Hudson</i> —Middletown 2d, 6 19; Nyack 1st, 1 60; Purvis, 5 22; Washingtonville 1st, 10. <i>New York</i> —New York West 23d St., 20. <i>North River</i> —Marlborough, 15; Matteawan, 10; Newburg Union, 24. <i>Otsego</i> —Delhi 1st, 32. <i>Rochester</i> —Caledonia 1st, 19 62. <i>St. Lawrence</i> —Dexter, 4; Potsdam, 6 25. <i>Steuben</i> —Arkport, 2 71; Bath,	ADAM CAMPBELL, Treasurer, P. O. Box 2010. 23 Centre St., N. Y.

BOARD OF RELIEF.

THE ELDERS' MEETING IN PHILADELPHIA.

Closely following upon the conference of elders held in New York city, of which an account was given in the January *Record*, there has been an active movement upon the part of the elders in the city of Philadelphia, inaugurated by the Committee of Elders appointed at the last meeting of the Synod of Pennsylvania (see December *Record*, p. 471).

The first meeting was held on the evening of Tuesday, December 15, pursuant to the call of the synod's committee. The following is the report of the meeting which appeared in the columns of the *Public Ledger* the next day, December 16:

MEETING OF PHILADELPHIA ELDERS TO CONSIDER MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

The committee appointed at the late meeting of the Synod of Pennsylvania to devise and execute plans for increasing the revenues of the Board of Ministerial Relief issued a circular asking the elders of the churches in this city to meet them for the purpose of their appointment. In accordance therewith a conference was held last night, in the lecture room of the Tenth Presbyterian Church, at Twelfth and Walnut Streets. George H. Stuart, Jr., of the Presbytery of Philadelphia North, chairman of the committee, presided. Judge Pershing, of the Presbytery of Lehigh, Samuel Field, of the Presbytery of Philadelphia, and William G. Johnson, of the Presbytery of Pittsburgh, members of the committee, were also present. General James A. Beaver, of the Presbytery of Huntingdon, and A. P. Tutton, of the Presbytery of Chester, the remaining members of the committee, were absent.

The proceedings were opened with religious exercises, and at their conclusion the chairman delivered an address, laying before the meeting the subject they had been called together to consider. It was their object, he said, to inaugurate no spasmodic effort which would gradually die out, but to establish a permanent method of increasing the revenues of the Ministerial Relief Board by making it the continued subject of prayer in their sessions; to have regular and periodical collections made in the churches for this purpose, etc. It was desired to raise the sum of \$200,000 or \$300,000 as a permanent fund for the Board. There are 600 families who are beneficiaries of the Board. They should receive on an average \$500 a year, whereas they get an average of but \$160. In Pennsylvania there are 1040 churches, and last year they raised \$23,000. He thought that an amount greater than that apportioned to Pennsylvania, viz., \$100,000, could and should be raised.

George Junkin, Esq., endorsed the remarks of the chairman, saying that the elders knew that the minister could not lay up for a rainy day, and it was carrying out the doctrine of St. Paul that the minister should live from the church, and this city should take a lead in this movement.

In answer to an inquiry, Rev. Dr. Cattell said that those who receive assistance of the Board are those who are disabled from old age, broken down by sickness, or in other ways incapacitated from preaching, and who have no other means of support; and their widows.

Robert H. Hinckley, Esq., said that General Beaver stated before the synod the idea that the beneficiaries of the Board were in no view to be regarded as the recipients of charity, but that, in a commercial sense, the account was one of debtor and creditor.

Samuel Field said that there was too great an amount of ignorance prevalent among the elders on this subject. They should make themselves thoroughly familiar with ministerial relief, and when the announcement is made in church that such a collection will be taken up for this purpose, an elder should explain to the congregation the full meaning of the purpose, for the pastor may feel some delicacy in pressing the subject. If the purpose were fully explained in such ways as this, he had no doubt but that the \$200,000 would be raised in a short time.

Judge Pershing, being called upon, made a brief address, saying that the statistics given could not be enlarged in their impressions by any mere words.

The chairman read recommendations of action suggested by the committee, among which were: Making the cause a subject of prayer; appointing a certain day for church collections; awakening an interest in the matter in the Sunday-schools; organizing a Ladies' Ministerial Relief Association in each church; and to hold during

the sessions of the presbytery, or at other convenient time, meetings of elders to consider the importance of the subject.

After some discussion, Mr. Junkin offered the following:

Resolved, That we heartily approve of the action proposed by the committee of the synod, and pledge ourselves to do all that we can to make the action suggested successful in each of our individual churches.

The resolution was adopted.

SECOND MEETING OF THE PHILADELPHIA ELDERS ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF RELIEF.

The second meeting was held January 19, and the following report is also taken from the columns of the *Public Ledger* of the next day:

A general meeting of elders of the Presbyterian churches of Philadelphia, in behalf of the Board of Ministerial Relief, was held last evening in the lecture room of the Chambers Presbyterian Church, Broad and Sansom Streets. George H. Stuart, Jr., presided, and the meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. William C. Cattell, D. D., secretary of the Board. The special object of the gathering was stated to be the promoting and putting into practical working measures that will reach each Presbyterian church in Philadelphia.

Chairman Stuart suggested that Pennsylvania should raise \$100,000 this year to supplement the Board's revenue, and thought \$25,000 would be a fair proportion for the churches in this city. Last year, he said, they contributed only about \$5000. The work, he said, would have to be done to a great extent by a few individuals in each church. Mr. Stuart urged every one present to pledge himself to bring the matter before his church and force it to a successful issue.

In a letter, in which he expressed regret that he was unable to be present, Elder George Junkin gave the following account of what had been done in the West Spruce Street Presbyterian Church:

"On Sunday, January 3, it was announced that the collection for the Disabled Ministers' Board would be taken on the next Sabbath morning; that during the week each family would receive by mail some printed information upon the subject, which they were requested not to throw in the waste-basket, but to read. On Sabbath, the 10th instant, Dr. Breed preached upon the duty of the Church to support its ministers, and then asked me to say a few words on the needs of the Board, which I did in about ten minutes or less, saying that our collection last year had been \$307 and that we desired to double it. Result: Up to last Sabbath \$611 had been received, and no doubt there will be some additions, which will make the sum more than double. Our people need only to understand the subject, and they will in a large measure do their duty in the matter."

After an informal discussion of means by which interest may be awakened in the cause, resolutions were adopted providing for the appointment of an individual member of the session of each church within the limits of the three Philadelphia presbyteries, to see that the recommendation of the committee appointed at a meeting of the elders at the synod in Bellefonte be carried out; that, to enlarge the interest in the cause, general meetings of elders be held on the evening of the third Tuesday of each month; that two elders in each presbytery be appointed to wait on ministers, and urge them to secure the attendance of their entire sessions at the next general meeting of elders; that it is the sense of this meeting that on days on which the collection for this fund is to be raised, whatever may be said on the subject by the minister should be supplemented by an address by one of the elders of the church.

Before adjourning, the elders invited Dr. Cattell to sit with them at their meetings as a corresponding member.

The movement thus happily inaugurated in Philadelphia greatly encourages the Board in their work, and will bring joy and gladness to many homes of sick and aged ministers. Already its influence upon the churches is noticeable in their collections. Beside the instance above mentioned by Mr. Junkin, it may be stated that on the Sabbath following this meeting the annual collection for the Board was taken up in the church at Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia North Presbytery. After an appeal by the pastor, the Rev. Dr. Hammond, Mr. George H. Stuart, Jr., followed in a brief address,

and the collection amounted to \$311; last year it was \$171. On the same day, in the Northminster Church, Philadelphia Central Presbytery, the appeal of the pastor, Rev. Robert H. Fulton, was followed by an address by Elder George W. Barr, and the collection amounted to \$171.50; last year it was \$42.27.

These instances show what may be done in every church where the elders come to the help of the pastor, and take hold of the matter in earnest.

This large increase in the contributions of the three churches noticed above comes with a special encouragement, in view of the fact that several others among the large-giving churches have fallen off this year in their contributions: one of them that gave us last year \$134.84 sends this year \$233.02! Is there not some elder in every city and large town whose heart God has touched with a special interest in this sacred cause, who will organize similar movements to those in Philadelphia and New York, and throw himself into the work with earnest and persevering zeal? Surely God's blessing will follow those who are thus honoring his ministry while they are relieving the wants of his suffering poor!

FROM THE ADDRESS ADOPTED AT THE MEETING OF ELDERS AT CINCINNATI DURING THE LAST GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Let us then, brethren, charge ourselves with the personal duty of seeing that every member of our Church and every member of our Sabbath-schools shall thoroughly understand the nature of the sacred claim of these wards of the Church. The heart of the eldership should be tender on this subject. If the people are instructed, they will promptly, heartily and generously respond. Let us solemnly and in the fear of God charge ourselves with this responsible duty. While we use all proper efforts to induce the rich to devise liberal things for this Board, especially to make generous contributions to its Permanent Fund, let us give our special attention to the annual contributions of the churches in which we respectively hold office. If the amount secured by the general collections on the Sabbath for this Board be not a fair proportion of the benevolent contributions of the Church, let it be supplemented by our personal appeals to individuals throughout the congregation. Let us see to it that our yearly offerings be not fitful and spasmodic, but systematic and proportionate year after year.

Brethren of the eldership, the honor of Christ's name is involved in the proper discharge of this duty by his ministers. The cause is urgent. The claim is just. The means are ample. A united, energetic, persistent movement on our part, all along the line of the Church, will fill the impoverished treasury of the Board of Relief and gladden the hearts of hundreds of Christ's servants, who, after long and faithful service in the ministry, look to it as their only means of support in their sickness or helpless old age.

RECEIPTS FOR BOARD OF RELIEF IN JANUARY, 1886.

ATLANTIC.—Atlantic—Goodwill, 2. *East Florida*—St. Augustine, 50. 52 00

BALTIMORE.—Baltimore—Baltimore Boundary Ave., H. D. Harvey, 30; Baltimore Broadway, 8; Baltimore Brown Mem. (including 50 from Mrs. P. Harrison, and 33 56 from sub-sch. class No. 2), 192 76; Baltimore Light St., 5. *New Castle*—Forest 1st, 66; West Nottingham, 33 50; Wilmingon 1st, 18 48; Worten, 5. *Washington City*—Washington 1st, 12 66; Washington Westminster, 25. 396 40

COLORADO.—Boulder—Valmont, 34 cts. *Santa Fé*—Albuquerque, 5. 5 34

COLUMBIA.—Oregon—Portland 1st, 58 30; Portland Calvary, 45 10. 103 40

ILLINOIS.—Alton—Steeleville, 3. *Bloomington*—Hoopeson, 8. *Cairo*—Tamaroa, 20. *Chicago*—Chicago 2d, 90 22. *Freeport*—Galena South, 47 55; Hanover, 4. *Mattoon*—Mattoon 1st, add'l, 2. *Peoria*—Lewistown, 30. *S. Huyler*—Brooklyn, 1; Clayton, 4. *Springfield*—Petersburg, 6. 215 77

INDIA.—Kolhapur—Kolhapur, 19 36

INDIANA.—Crawfordsville—Crawfordsville Centre, 10; Frankfort, 15; Lexington, 9 75. *Fort Wayne*—Warsaw 1st, 22. *Logansport*—Meadow Lake, 3; Mich-

igan City 1st, 25; South Bend 1st, 18 63. *Muncie*—Portland, 7; Wabash, 1 69. *New Albany*—Mount Vernon, 2; New Albany 2d, 21 44. *White Water*—Greensburgh, 45 66. 181 17

IOWA.—Cedar Rapids—Bethel, 2 90; Onslow, 12. *Des Moines*—New Sharon, 8 60. *Iowa*—Keokuk Westminster, 4 70; Kossuth 1st, 4 03; Middletown, 9 43; Mount Pleasant 1st, per "T.", 10 50. *Iowa City*—Crawfordsville, 1; Washington, 3 81. 56 97

KANSAS.—Highland—Atchison 1st, 2. *Larned*—Burton, W. Miss. Soc'y, 7. 9 00

KENTUCKY.—Louisville—Princeton 1st, 5 00

MICHIGAN.—Detroit—Detroit Westminster, 52 86.

Kalamazoo—Kendall, 5. *Lansing*—Concord, 3 91. 61 77

MINNESOTA.—Pembina—Neche, 1. *St. Paul*—Minneapolis Bethlehem, 3 23. *Winona*—Winona Ger., 3. 7 23

MISSOURI.—Osage—Sedalia sub-sch., 3. *Palmyra*—Hannibal 1st, 10; Shelbyville, 3. *Platte*—Gallatin, 4 75; Lathrop, 2 50. 23 25

NEBRASKA.—Hastings—Williamsburg, 1 50. *Nebraska City*—Alexandria, 2; Hickman Ger., 9; Humboldt 1st, 9 33. *Omaha*—Waterloo, 5. 26 83

NEW JERSEY.—Elizabeth—Elizabeth 1st, 111 97; Lamington, 38; Plainfield Crescent Ave., 150; Woodbridge, 12. Jersey City—Paterson Broadway Ger., 7 75; West Hoboken 1st, 10 35. Monmouth—Farmingtondale, 5. Morris and Orange—Chester, 25; Dover, 44 37; Madison, 10 63. Newark—Newark Calvary, 6 74. New Brunswick—Hamilton Square, 25; Hope-well, 3 15; Princeton 1st, add'l, 7. Newton—Belvidere 1st, 83 75; Greenwich, 2 66; Yellow Frame, 1 49. West Jersey—Bridgeton 1st, 50; Greenwich, 34 06; May's Landing, 2. 630 92

NEW YORK.—Albany—Albany State St., 46 80; Corinth, 2; Princetown, 4 84; Rockwell Falls, 4. Binghamton—Binghamton 1st, 28 33; Cortlandt sab-sch., 25. Boston—Boston 1st, 20 25. Buffalo—Buffalo Lafayette St., 6 54; Buffalo Westminster, 19 01. Cuyuga—Aurora, 22 66; Springport, 5 37. Champlain—Keeseville, 22 33; Peru, 3; Port Henry 1st, 52. Chemung—Dundee, 7; Elmira Lake St., 9. Genesee—Attica, 34 26. Geneva—Waterloo, 20. Hudson—Haverstraw Central, 40; Middletown 2d, 4 52; Nyack, 1 20; Washingtonville 1st, 10. Long Island—Easthampton 1st, 33 80; Southold, 15. Lyons—Newark sab-sch., 28 28; Palmyra, 5. New York—New York Canal St., 5. Niagara—Lyndonville, 8 75. North River—Matteawan, 10; Newburg Calvary, 10. Otsego—Cooperstown, 20 89; Unadilla, 3. Rochester—Sweden 1st, 8 50. St. Lawrence—Dexter, 2 10. Steuben—Arkport, 1 98; Bath, 40. Syracuse—Cazenovia, 35; Jordan (including 3 from sab-sch.), 12. Troy—Troy Mt. Ida Memorial, 8. Utica—Clinton, 31 30; Utica Westminster, 25; Vernon (including 10 from Thos. Williams), 25. Westchester—Gilead, 42; Greenburgh South, 121 15; Sing Sing, 70; White Plains, 30 80. 980 66

OHIO.—Athens—Athens sab-sch., 5; Pomeroy, 7. Bellefontaine—Bellefontaine 1st, 2 17. Cincinnati—Bethel fab-sch., 4; Cincinnati Central, 52; Pleasant Ridge, 10 23; Wyoming (including 25 from sab-sch.), 35. Cleveland—Cleveland Miles Park, 15. Columbus—Circleville, 34 13; Columbus Westminster, 3. Dayton—Oxford, from a friend, 15; Piqua, 18 42. Lima—Columbus Grove, 2. Mahoning—Hubbard, 5 40; Massillon 2d, 28 63; Niles, 4. Maumee—Napoleon, 5; Toledo 1st, 36 17. Portsmouth—Jackson 1st, 6. St. Clairsville—Bannock, 2; Kirkwood, 18 15; St. Clairsville, 30. Wooster—Fredericksburgh, 2 48. 340 78

PACIFIC.—Benicia—Two Rocks, 13 00

PENNSYLVANIA.—Allegheny—Allegheny 1st Ger., 15; Sharpsburgh, 22 61. Blairsville—Blairsville sab-sch. Christmas offering, 5 23; Parnassus, 19 25. Butler—Harrisville, 4; Middlesex sab-sch., 10. Carlisle—Harrisburg Pine St., 265; Middle Spring, Rev. W. D. McCune, 20. Clarion—Oil City 2d, 7 19. Erie—Vernango, 1 37. Huntingdon—Altoona 2d, 21; Lewis-ton, 13 50; Mann's Choice, 3 15; Shellsburgh, 3 25; Spring Creek, 11. Kittanning—Apollo, 8; Cherry Run, 4 25; Freeport, 10; Middle Creek, 3. Lackawanna—Scranton 2d, 95 02; Towanda 1st sab-sch., 25; Troy, 5. Lehigh—Allentown, 4 72; Easton 1st, per a lady, 60; Hazleton, 35 50; Pottsville 2d (including 17 08 from sab-sch.), 27 08; Shawnee, 6. North-umberland—Bloomsburg 1st, 26 32; Elysburg, 3; Milton, 55 60; Shiloh sab-sch., 10; Sunbury sab-sch., 17; Williamsport 2d, 1 80. Philadelphia—Philadelphia 1st, 202 62; Philadelphia Calvary, 20; Philadelphia West Spruce St., 621 30. Philadelphia Central—Philadelphia Alexander, 63 58; Philadelphia Arch St., 361 89; Philadelphia North Broad St., 283 97; Philadelphia Northern Liberties 1st, 24 24; Philadelphia Northminster, 171 50. Philadelphia North—Conshohocken, 10; Frankford, 5 13; Manayunk 1st, 20. Pittsburgh—Mt. Olive sab-sch., 22 06; Pittsburgh Bellefeld, add'l, 10; Pittsburgh East Liberty, 25; Pittsburgh Grace Mem., 1 50; Pittsburgh Central, 3. Redstone—Connellsville 1st, 38 36; Scottdale, 8 81; Uniontown, 67 90. Shenango—New Brighton, 34; Slippery Rock, 4. Washington—Claysville, 8 22; Lower Buffalo, 7 67; Washington 1st, 29 75. 288 39

TENNESSEE.—Holston—Mount Bethel, 1 00

UTAH.—Montana—Bozeman 1st, sp., 10 00

WISCONSIN.—Lake Superior—Ishpeming, 7. Mil-

waukee—Milwaukee Holland, 4. Madison—Madison 1st, per a member, 25. 36 00

From the churches..... 6,044 24

MISCELLANEOUS.

Rev. C. DeHeer, Benita, W. Africa, 5; Mrs. E. C. McEwen, Pa., 2; S. J. Barnett, Delta, Pa., 5; Wm. S. Boyd, Philadelphia, 25; Mrs. Susan B. Smith, per Miss Bower, 15; Mrs. I. Aitken, for Perth Amboy, 100; Rev. Charles Jewett Collins, N. Y., 25; Sarah B. Stephens, N. J., 1; Miss Julia A. Clarke, Brooklyn, N. Y., for Perth Amboy, 5; Mrs. John Noblit, Philadelphia, including 10 for Perth Amboy, 20; "From a friend," Ga., 5; Mrs. Isabella Whiteley, Philadelphia, 20; Mrs. R. J. Adamson, sp., 50; Mrs. M. A. Ralston, Pa., 10; Prof. R. E. Wilder, Ill., 2; Mrs. N. M. Albert, Pa., 5; Rev. P. H. Burgliardt, 5; N. R. Derby, Pa., 20; Miss S. McPherson, Pa., 25; S. N. Kaercher, 5; "Tithes," N. Y., 9; Rev. A. Heberton, Philadelphia, 10; "From a friend," Brooklyn, 20; Rev. James R. Boyd, Albany, N. Y., 20; J. Hooker Hamersley, N. Y., 100; Mrs. Isabel C. Small, Pa., 20; A. H. Simmonds, N. Y., 100; Mrs. Mary Kerr, per Presbyterian, 5; Mrs. A. P. Thompson, Philadelphia, 2; "From a friend," Philadelphia, 100; Andrew K. Argus, Pa., 5; Anonymous, N. Y., 100; Five acres of land in Polk Co., Florida, from Church of St. Augustine, through Mr. Geo. Lemmon, value unknown; Mrs. Janeway, Pawling, Pa., 10; "Bandagon-i-Khoda," 20; "From a friend," 10; Mrs. Eliza M. Alrich, dec'd, 100; Mrs. Julia McNair Wright, sp., 25; Mrs. Mary Mandeville, N. Y., 1; "An invalid widow, Philadelphia," 10; C. Arbutnot, Pittsburgh, Pa., 500; Charles S. Scott, N. J., sp., 20; Gerald F. Dale, Philadelphia, 10; Rev. J. B. Warren, Cal., 10; Rev. R. B. Canfield, N. J., 5; Rev. W. M. Reed, Mo., 5; W. H. Ipperton, Iowa, 2; Rev. J. H. Sherrard, O., 5; W. H. Lyle, Tenn., 2; Miss Anna Paxton and sisters, Mo., 15; Rev. J. M. Brack, 3; "From a friend," Chicago, 100; John Hickman, Pa., 40; Mrs. Sarah A. Sheldon, Ill., 1; E. T. Williams, 1; "C. L. A.," 30; "C. N. Y.," 5; "C. H. M.," N. J., 1 69; Religious Con-tribution Society of Princeton Theo. Sem'y, 10 69; Rev. Q. L. Young (tithes), 1 74; A friend, 50; C. S. Hubbel, Mo., 1. From individuals..... 1,996 12 From Interest on Permanent Fund..... 2,615 37 From Interest on Bank Deposits..... 115 22 From Latta Fund (Synod of Ohio)..... 41 67

For current use..... \$10,812 62

PERMANENT FUND.

(Interest only used.)

Legacy of Mrs. Catherine Clark, dec'd, late of Cincinnati, O..... 500 00 Legacy (remainder) of Mrs. E. G. Wallingford, dec'd, late of Pittsburgh, Pa..... 4,922 36 Donation of Mrs. L. N. Bigelow, Racine, Wis..... 250 00

Total receipts for January, 1886..... \$16,484 98 (Total receipts since April 1, 1885, for current use, \$88,455.20.)

NOTE.—The \$3 credited to Wassaic Church, North River Presbytery, in the February Record, should have been credited to Rev. W. J. McCord, in the list of miscellaneous contributions.

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BOARD OF MISSIONS FOR FREEDMEN.

FINANCIAL CONDITION.

The receipts for January were only \$8688.94, leaving a little over \$50,000 to be provided in February and March, if the financial year is to be closed without debt. Owing to the straits of two other boards of the Church, the Board of Missions for Freedmen has delayed as long as possible to make urgent appeals. But necessity now compels us to entreat every church and every man, woman and child to come to our help without delay. The work is great; new fields are opening every week. We ask the contributions of those who can only give small sums as well as of those who can give large amounts.

SHALL WE CALL A HALT?

If we seriously look at the work to be done among the freedmen, we answer no. There are over five million of illiterate freedmen, with over one million of illiterate voters among them. Let American citizens, whether Christians or not, seriously consider these facts. Thousands of their young people are going to destruction as rapidly as temptation and sin can carry them. Thousands of older ones are without the gospel, and are perishing at our very doors for lack of the knowledge which we can give them. Let Christian people consider seriously these facts, and then tell us whether we are to call a halt in our efforts to save these people. The work of the Board was never so promising as it is to-day. We have just "broken ground" in Texas, one of the most hopeful fields in the South, and where the negroes are gathered in vast numbers and materially are well to do, and will soon be able to support their own schools and churches if they can receive help for the present.

In the Indian Territory there is need of energetic work at once, especially in the Choctaw Nation, where three missionary teachers have lately been sent. The freedmen among the Choctaws have lately been enrolled as citizens, and are entitled to a part of the government school fund, which they are willing shall go in part pay of the teachers we send to them. It is important that we get the benefit of this aid, and it can be done if we act promptly and energetically. Two white brethren on the field write that we can get the whole nation under our influence if prompt measures are taken.

The state of Arkansas also is rapidly filling up with freedmen from the Atlantic states. The exodus from some parts of these states is becoming a serious matter to that section of the country. Many are going and have gone from our congregations in the Carolinas and Georgia. One brother writes us that twenty-five have left his church lately for

Arkansas. Now it is important that we follow these wandering sheep with the Presbyterian Church. Three points in Arkansas are appealing to us now for aid for churches ready to be established. We shall lose these people if they are left in the wilderness without a leader. Tell us, brethren in the ministry and elders in the churches, under these circumstances shall the Board call a halt in the work? To do this means not only to stop any onward movement, but to fall back.

The receipts of the Board up to this time indicate that a halt *must be called*. Unless \$50,000 are raised by the 1st of April the Board must go to the Assembly with a serious debt upon it. This means not only a halt, but a backward movement; it means a reduction in our appropriations all along the line; it means cutting down salaries entirely too small now, which means a much harder lot for our poor colored brethren than that of our white home missionaries under a similar reduction of salaries. Let the churches ponder these facts, for there is cause for serious thought here. If a halt is called, if the Board must fall back from the advanced positions occupied this year, if some of our missions must be abandoned and some of our schools closed, if our missionaries are to suffer while they toil in the Lord's harvest field, we believe the churches will be held responsible.

This is the Church's work, and she cannot permit it to decline and be faithful to the Master who has laid it upon her. The Lord, we believe, intends to elevate and Christianize these people, and the work will be done whether we as a Church perform our part or not. Others of the Lord's servants may come forward and do the work, but our sin and responsibility will be none the less. Barak under God delivered Israel from Jabin and Sisera, but a bitter curse fell upon Meroz nevertheless. The African race in America is too important a factor in the future of this country for the Presbyterian Church to look with indifference upon. In the events which led to the emancipation and enfranchisement of the race the Presbyterian Church took a prominent part, and she is now most solemnly bound to perform faithfully her part in elevating and Christianizing the freedmen. In its bearings on the future of our country the work of the Board of Missions for Freedmen stands second to none in importance and responsibility, and it will be a sad mistake if the work is allowed to go backward, as must inevitably be the case if the churches fail to come at once to the help of the Board.

AMONG THE FREEDMEN.—Continued.

BY THE SECRETARY.

Our next stopping-place was at Jacksonville, Florida, a city of about 12,000 inhabitants, nearly half of whom are colored. The mission at

this place has not been doing very well until lately, having been without a minister for some time. Now, however, the Rev. F. J. Grimke, lately of Washington city, has taken charge of the work, and the prospects are brightening. We have a small but neat house of worship here, in which we had the pleasure of preaching to an audience of as respectable-looking people as you would find anywhere. They were evidently of the best class of colored people. They looked and listened and worshipped just as Presbyterians ordinarily do. It is a great mistake when people say that colored people will never make Presbyterians. On entering the Sabbath-school I found the superintendent drilling the scholars in the Shorter Catechism; and the manner in which the questions were answered showed very clearly that there was Presbyterian soil there which would produce a crop of orthodox fruit after a while. The colored people of Jacksonville seemed "better to do" than one usually sees in the towns of the South. The colored Baptist and Methodist churches have good church buildings and large and well-arranged school-houses in connection with them, in which they have flourishing schools supported, as we understood, entirely by themselves. From Jacksonville we made our way to

GAINESVILLE.

In October last we opened a mission at this place with two lady missionary teachers, Mrs. L. A. Hallock and Miss Jennie M. Lytle. On looking over the field there we found this to be one of the most promising and hopeful of all our missions. Gainesville is the most thrifty town we saw in Florida. It has a population of 4000, more than half of whom are colored. The colored people are industrious and thrifty, and more wide awake than in any place we visited. We made the acquaintance there of an educated colored lawyer, physician and grocer, who are doing well in their different lines of business. Our mission is located in one of the best parts of the town, and near the densest portion of the colored population. The school, which commenced with 15 pupils only a month previous, now had attending regularly 62, with the prospect of a rapid increase. The influence of this school we found was fast becoming a power for good among the colored people. It is rapidly paving the way for the organization of a church. A number of the most intelligent colored people whom we met expressed an earnest desire to see a Presbyterian church organized, with which they were ready to unite. The minister of the Southern Church and his people expressed a cordial sympathy in our work, and offered us their hearty cooperation. They urge the organization of a colored Presbyterian church at once, which we have concluded to do at the earliest practicable moment. We need a chapel school-house here, which we learned could be built for about \$300. If this can be done at once, we are assured by

brethren there we can have a Presbyterian congregation, in a fair way towards self-support, in a short time. Who will help us to put up this house? We shall be glad to receive special contributions for this new enterprise.

If some of our ladies' home missionary societies could see and realize the great and important work which these self-denying lady teachers are doing at Gainesville, they would at once, we are sure, pledge their support to the "Freedmen's Department" of the Woman's Executive Committee.

We earnestly wish that our great Church could form some adequate idea of the vast fields which are spread out all around us in this southern land for gospel work among the freedmen. If the Church could see, as we have seen, the condition and needs of these people, the ignorance, poverty and helplessness of the masses of them, the number of their young people that are perishing, she would arouse herself, put on her strength, and take hold of our work for the freedmen with firmer grasp, and with a more earnest and generous heart.

MISSIONARIES TO INDIAN TERRITORY.

Two lady missionaries have just been sent by the Board of Missions for Freedmen to the Choctaw Nation. One of these, Miss Carrie Elder, is to be the representative of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of Blairsville Presbytery among the freedmen, this society assuming her support. The other lady, Miss Bertha Ahrons, is the adopted missionary of the Woman's Home Missionary Society of Iowa City Presbytery. Starting at the same time from their widely-separated homes in Pennsylvania and Iowa, the two ladies met, according to appointment, at Clarksville, Texas, whence they journeyed thirty miles by wagon to their destination at Wheelock. In a note from Miss Elder, referring to the cordial welcome she received from the home missionaries at the Indian school, she says, "Truly my lines have fallen to me in pleasant places." Miss Elder will teach the freedmen at Wheelock. Miss Ahrons' field is fourteen miles distant, at Lukfatah, where "Uncle Elijah Butler" gave her a hearty welcome, and a home is being made ready for her.

No less than three other neighborhoods in the Choctaw Nation are imploring the Board to send them teachers also, while from the Seminole negroes near Trewaka there is also a very earnest petition for a lady teacher. They have arranged a place in which the school can be held and provided a home for the teacher, and write saying, "All things are ready." Recently the freedmen have been adopted as citizens of the Choctaw Nation, and the home missionaries write that work among them is opening up in a remarkable manner. It promises to be one of the most fruitful fields under care of the Board, and as soon as possible other teachers will be sent to the places so earnestly asking for light.

M. E. A.

HOW A CHURCH WAS REPAIRED.

The following extract from the quarterly report of brother F. G. Stuart, at Danville, Ky., shows what a small congregation can do when they have a mind to help themselves before calling on others to help them. We commend his example to white and colored brethren who are seeking to build or repair their houses of worship. He says :

I am happy to inform you that the work on our church is done. For six weeks we have worked like beavers. We have done all the work ourselves, having carpenters, bricklayers and painters among ourselves. The only money we have spent has been for material, paints, oil and carpet, to the amount of about \$75. With this amount and our own work, good judges say the property has been improved \$500 in value. I have done no begging; have had about \$20 worth of paint and bricks given, but the white people have not been asked for a cent. I have given six weeks of labor and \$15 of my small salary, and my wife \$5. The colored Presbyterian church here is now the neatest-looking of all the colored churches in town, and I wish you could see it. We pray the Lord now to bless the work.

Rev. John B. Smith and wife, of Monticello, Ind., with Miss Margaret Bolles, of Remington, Ind., left on Monday, the 28th of December last, to open our new boarding-schools for colored girls at Crockett, Houston county, Texas. The school was opened January 10. We would call the attention of ladies' home missionary societies, Sabbath-schools and benevolent friends to this new enterprise. We want furniture, bed-clothing and scholarships for this school. To furnish a room will cost \$50; a scholarship, \$45.

RECEIPTS FOR FREEDMEN IN JANUARY, 1836.

ATLANTIC.—*Atlantic*—Ebenezer, 2; Aimwell sab-sch., 3 75; St. Michael, 1. *Catawba*—Concord, 8 40; Emanuel, 1 72; St. Paul, 1 20. *East Florida*—Jacksonville Laura St., 4. *Knox*—Mt. Sinai, 1. *McClelland*—Mattoon, 2; Columbia, 2. *Yadkin*—Mocksville, 1; Mt. Pleasant, 2; Wilmington, 4.

BALTIMORE.—*Baltimore*—Baltimore Broadway, 4; Emmittsburg, 55 43; Taneytown, 13 50; Piney Creek, 15. *New Castle*—Drawyers, 2 81; Green Hill, 9; Harrington, 2; Newark, 30. *Washington City*—Darnestown, 5; Westminster, 5; Washington Western, 38; Washington Ist, 8 98.

COLORADO.—*Boulder*—Fort Collins, 15, sab-sch., 2 50; Valmont, 23 cts. *Denver*—Golden, 3 60; Central, 15 50. *Montana*—Missoula, 3.

COLUMBIA.—*Oregon*—Portland Ist, 21 40; Calvary, 16 90.

DAKOTA.—*Fargo*—Rev. Q. L. Young, 1 20.

ILLINOIS.—*Alton*—Plum Creek, 1; Steeleville, 1 60. *Bloomington*—Champaign Ist, 29 50; Clinton, 7 26. *Cairo*—Centralia, 9 65; Richland, 2 76; Cobden, 5; Tamaroa, 20. *Chicago*—Chicago Fullerton Ave., 21 97; Chicago 6th, 128 17. *Freeport*—Rockford Westminster, 10 84; Oregon, 10 48, sab-sch., 13 81; Marengo, 8; Harvard, 2 50. *Maltoon*—Morrisonville, 2 50; Neoga sab-sch., 6; Casey, 1. *Ottawa*—Oswego, 2 15; Aurora, 1 10. *Peoria*—Peoria 2d, 28 25; French Grove, 1 55; Lewistown, 30; Salem, 6; Brunswick, 1 50. *Rock River*—Millersburg, 4; Princeton, 15 55; Edgington, 7 60; Pleasant Ridge, 2; Garden Plain, 7 18; Newton, 2. *Schuyler*—Monmouth, 32; Camp Point, 12; Carthage, 13 10, sab-sch., 5; Hersman, 6; Olive, 5; Lee, 4; Oquawka, 2. *Springfield*—Macon, 4; Springfield Ist, 37 76; Greenview, 2.

INDIANA.—*Crawfordsville*—Pleasant Hill, 1 20; Frankfort, 14; Dayton, 17; Centre sab-sch., 18 10. *Indianapolis*—Greenwood, 2 37; Pisgah, 2; Southport, 3. *Logansport*—Union, 4 42; Remington, 4; Michigan City, 6 97. *Muncie*—Hopewell, 3; Perrysburg, 3; Wabash, 1 17. *New Albany*—New Albany Ist, 41; Mt. Vernon, 2; Madison, 11 05. *Vincennes*—Upper Indiana, 6; Terre Haute Central, 24.

IOWA.—*Cedar Rapids*—Mechanicsville, 5 57. *Council Bluffs*—Shelly, 3 90; Essex, 2 50; Shenandoah, 8; Griswold, 2 45. *Des Moines*—Des Moines, 65 12. *Dubuque*—Independence Ist, 22 50. *Fort Dodge*—Battle Creek, 2 75; Cherokee, 6. *Iowa*—Birmingham, 3; Mt. Zion, 1 75; Middletown, 46 cts.; Keokuk, 3 24. *Iowa City*—Bethel, 2 55; Unity, 3; Malvern, 5 30; Crawfordsville, 8; Washington, 7 64.

KANSAS.—*Emporia*—Winfield, 31 25; Eureka, 2 50; El Paso, 2; Arkansas City, 24; Peabody, 5 50; Wichita, 25; Belle Plain, 10. *Highland*—Eftingham, 6; Lancaster, 1; Hiawatha, 6; Atchison, 4. *Indian Territory*—Wewoka, 7 55; Acaua, 1 10. *Larned*—Halstead, 7 58; Leesburg, 2 80; Sterling, 1; Chase, 2 53. *Neosho*—Carlyle, 3 10; Neosho Falls, 4 50; Columbus, 3; Girard, 14; Princeton, 1 80; Toronto, 1 50; Geneva, 5 41; Liberty, 1 77. *Solomon*—Buenington, 25 cts. *Topeka*—Auburn, 2 80.

KENTUCKY.—*Ebenezer*—Frankfort Ist, 17 45; Ashland sab-sch., 11 77; Dayton, 4 25; Flemingsburg, 6 35. *Transylvania*—Paint Lick, 9 05.

MICHIGAN.—*Grand Rapids*—Greenwood, 3. *Lansing*—Concord, 2 71. *Monroe*—Tecumseh, 40. *Saginaw*—Emerson sab-sch., 5 50.

MINNESOTA.—*Pembina*—Neché, 2. *St. Paul*—Cen-

tral. 243 80; Bethlehem, 2 24. *Winona*—Le Roy, 3 34; Preston, 4 28, sab-sch., 1; Winona Ger., 2.
 MISSOURI.—*Osage*—Sedalia sab-sch., 3. *Palmira*—Hannibal 1st, 10. *Platte*—New Point, 8 12; Oregon, 6 13; Gallatin, 1. *St. Louis*—Salem Ger., 2.
 NEBRASKA.—*Hastings*—Williamsburg, 1 75. *Kearney*—Kearney, 14 10. *Nebraska City*—Hubbell, 4; Plattsmouth, 15 70; Hickman Ger., 5. *Niobrara*—Oakdale, 3. *Omaha*—Columbus, 4; Wahoo, 3; Omaha 2d, 39 94.
 NEW JERSEY.—*Elizabeth*—Lower Valley, 5; Metuchen, 5 87; Woodbridge, 8. *Jersey City*—Passaic 1st sab-sch., 4; Arlington sab-sch., 4 95. *Monmouth*—Beverly, 21 76; Mount Holly, 16 31; Bordentown, 11 56. *Morris and Orange*—Chatham, 22; Mt. Clive, 5; Chester, 10; Orange 1st, 150; Flauders, 13 41; Orange Ger., 8; Morris Plains, 5. *Newark*—Newark 1st, 44 33; Roseville, 206 95; Calvary, 3 29. *New Brunswick*—Hopewell, 2 50; Hamilton Square, 5. *Newton*—Newton Mission Band, 10 26; Belvidere 1st, 50; Andover, 3; Greenwich, 1 52; Yellow Frame, 1 04. *West Jersey*—Haddonfield, 15; Williamstown sab-sch., 3 15; Bridgeton 1st, 55; Cedarville, 10 17.
 NEW YORK.—*Albany*—Albany 3d, 13 02; Balston, 12 50; Albany 6th, 2; State Street, 32 35. *Binghamton*—West, 5; Waverly, 65 76; Cortland sab-sch., 25; Binghamton 1st, 18 88. *Boston*—South Kyegate, 5 16. *Brooklyn*—W. New Brighton Calvary, 25. *Buffalo*—East Aurora, 15; Lafayette Street, 4 75; Clarence, 8 25, sab-sch., 1 75; Westminster, 11 40. *Cayuga*—Ithaca 1st sab-sch., 27 26; Aurora, 15 10; Auburn Central, 17 39. *Champlain*—Keeseville, 11 08; Plattsburgh 1st, 19 03. *Chemung*—Watkins sab-sch., 4 50. *Columbia*—Jewett, 17 50. *Genesee*—Le Roy, 51 75; Batavia 1st, 71 26; Attica, 20 56. *Geneva*—Geneva 1st, 22 45; Canandaigua, 4 92, sab-sch., 16 20. *Hudson*—Washingtonville 1st, 10; Hamptonburg, 20; Cochection, 5; Middletown 2d, 3 12; Middletown 1st, 26 17. *Lyons*—Newark, 28 72, sab-sch., 28 28; Lyons, 30 22. *Long Island*—Yaphank, 5; East Hampton, 16 50. *Nassau*—Astoria, 14. *New York*—Harlem, 74 50; Fourth Ave., 40. *Niagara*—Lewiston, 10; Medina, 17. *North River*—Wassaic, 75 cts. *Rochester*—Brighton, 8; Avon Central sab-sch., 3; Mt. Hor Mission Friends, 16; Memorial sab-sch., 45; Westminster, 13. *St. Lawrence*—Dexter, 2; Sacketts Harbor, 1 17; Gouverneur, 17 90; Hammond, 12; Morris-town, 4. *Steuben*—Bath, 35; Addison, 14 75; Arkport, 1 36. *Syracuse*—Liverpool, 2 69; Oswego Grace, 18 65; Onondaga Valley, 2 50; Cazenovia, 25. *Troy*—Lansingburgh Olivet, 13 31; Mt. Ida Mem., 6; Hoosac Falls sab-sch., 14 72; Salem, 28 20; Brunswick, 12 50. *Utica*—Clayville, 6; Westerville, 13; Mt. Vernon, 15; Westminster, 30. *Westchester*—Rye, 66; Peekskill, 43 79, sab-sch., 30; Bethany, 10; Bridgeport 1st, 27 98; South Salem, 21; Mt. Kisco, 11 40.
 OHIO.—*Athens*—Gallipolis, 10; Athens sab-sch., 10. *Bellefontaine*—Toledo, 24 36; Crestline, 6 08; Bellefontaine 1st, 1 50. *Chillicothe*—French, 1 90; South Salem, 26 72. *Cincinnati*—Avondale, 63 48; Cummins-ville, 14 16; Montgomery, 11 66; Mason and Pisgah, 1; Wyoming sab-sch., 25; Central, 40 15. *Cleveland*—Independence, 3; Northfield, 9. *Columbus*—Lithopolis, 1 50; Rev. S. D. Smith and family, 1 50; Greenfield, 2; Scioto, 2. Mt. Sterling, 3 29; Westminster, 12. *Dayton*—Xenia, 1; Middletown, 17 29; Dayton 3d St., 580; Dayton 1st, 62 07. *Huron*—Norwalk, 35 85; Do Something Band, Fremont, 25. *Lima*—Shae's Crossing, 5; Ottawa, 6 30. *Mahoning*—Leetonia sab-sch., 2 50; Columbiana, 5; Niles, 4; Vienna, 5 72; Brookfield, 4 50; Hubbard, 6 50. *Marion*—Berlin, 1 50; Brown, 2. *Maumee*—Napoleon, 12; Grand Rapids, 3. *Portsmouth*—Sardinia, 1 54; Manchester, 20; Hanging Rock, 4; Georgetown, 5 50. *St. Clairsville*—Rock Hill, 4 80; New Athens, 11 12; Short Creek, 6; Bannock, 5; Scotch Ridge sab-sch., 3; Kirkwood, 12. *Steubenville*—Steubenville 2d, 34 50; Hopedale, 5; Steubenville 1st, 7 50; Cross Creek sab-sch., 1 50; Beech Spring, 10. *Wooster*—Belleville, 2 50; Lexington, 8 80; Ashland, 14 23;

Shreve, 2 50; Wooster, 31 38, sab-sch., 7 74; Westminster, 43 78; Congress, 2 84; Wayne, 2 20; Canal Fulton, 7; Fredericksburg, 28 84. *Zanesville*—Duncan's Falls, 3; Chandlersville, 2 50; Putnam, 2; Madison, 21 60; Dresden, 12 15.

PACIFIC.—*Benicia*—Healdsburg, 9 85. *Los Angeles*—Orange, 10 30. *Sacramento*—Elk Grove, 3 85. *San Jose*—Los Gatos, 8. *San Francisco*—Berkeley, 9 25; Danville, 7 50; Brooklyn, 10.

PENNSYLVANIA.—*Allegheny*—McClure Ave., 73 01; Rochester, 5; Plains, 3; Providence Mission Band, 45 85; Fairmount, 3; Sharpsburg, 24 13; Central, 27 75. *Blairsville*—Harrison City, 7; New Alexandria, 24 71, sab-sch., 4 10; New Salem, 13 25; Unity, 21 75; Parnassus, 18 76; Beulah, 25, sab-sch., 7 68. *Butler*—Centreville sab-sch., 3; Butler, by R. Stewart, 5; Westminster, 5; Buffalo, 6. *Carlisle*—Shippensburg, 18; Gettysburg, 16 75; New Bloomfield, 12 35; Lower Marsh Creek, 4 50. *Chester*—Darby Borough, 6 75; Phoenixville, 6 51; Ashmun, 30. *Clarion*—Brookville, 3; Licking, 3 41. *Erie*—Conneautville, 2 37; Park, 25; Oil City 1st, 28 05; Young Ladies' Socy, Cambridgeboro', 1; Fairfield, 6 85; Mt. Pleasant, 4 45, sab-sch., 1 16; Sugar Grove, 3; Harbor Creek, 4 50, sab-sch., 18 cts.; Venango, 1 58. *Huntingdon*—Spring Creek, 8; Altoona 2d, 24 86; Lewistown, 9 34. *Kittanning*—Cherry Run, 2 15; Slate Lick, 11 02; Atwood sab-sch., 2; Elderton, 17. *Lackawanna*—Honesdale 1st sab-sch., 10 73; Kingston, 21; Susquehanna, 3. *Lehigh*—Pottsville 2d, 10; Allentown 1st, 3 26. *Northumberland*—Great Island, 27; Milton, 32 09; New Berlin, 6 40; Shamokin, 12; Bloomsburg, 43 85; Lycoming Centre, 6; Williamsport 2d, 9 30. *Philadelphia*—Walnut St., 300 63; Philadelphia 2d, 165 68. *Philadelphia Central*—Olivet, 56 02; Kensington, 32; North Broad St., 150 33; Arch St. sab-sch., 20; Memorial, 64 22. *Philadelphia North*—Norristown Central, 10; Newtown, 39 50; Germantown 1st, 174 23; Manayunk 1st, 20. *Pittsburgh*—Raccoon, 6 25; Cannonsburg, 12 30; Bethany, 18 60; Grace Memorial, 1 50; Central, 3; Forest Grove, 17; Bellefield, 10; Pittsburgh 1st, 20; Mt. Olive, 7. *Redstone*—Scottdale, 6 96; Mt. Pleasant Reunion, 9; Pleasant Unity, 3 60; McKeesport 1st, 7; Round Hill, 6; Brownsville, 6; Laurel Hill, 21 39. *Shenango*—Westfield sab-sch., 20; West Middlesex, 3 71; Clarksville, 29 76, sab-sch., 10. *Washington*—Upper Buffalo, 22 58; Wellsburg, 4 46; Upper Ten Mile, 15; Holiday's Cove sab-sch., 4; Wheeling 1st sab-sch., 10; Washington 1st, 20 81. *West Virginia*—Sugar Grove, 2 63. *Westminster*—Leacock, 7 77, sab-sch., 65 cts.; Cedar Grove, 5.

TENNESSEE.—*Holston*—St. Mark's, 1; Oakland, 3; Mt. Bethel, 65 cts. *Kingston*—Piney Falls, 1; Rockwood, 1; Spring City, 1; Mt. Zion, 3. *Union*—New Market, 6 74.

WISCONSIN.—*Detroit*—Westminster, 36 55. *Lake Superior*—Florence, 10; Neganuee, 12 60. *Madison*—Portage, 4 50; Marion Ger., 2. *Winnebago*—Omro, 8; Fond du Lac, 18 50; Oxford, 7; Neenah, 8 35.

Woman's Executive Committee of Home Missions, 501 30.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Dr. W. M. Findley, Altoona, Pa., 10; Rev. R. M. Loughridge and wife, Okmulgee, Ind. Ter., 10; I. C. Mann, Allegheny, Pa., 1; V. Smith, Brooklyn, N. Y., 100; Prof. R. C. Wilder, Greenfield, Ills., 2; N. Tiernan, Wassaic, N. Y., 10 cts.; Rev. J. R. Boyd, Albany, N. Y., 20; Mrs. J. H. Black, Cadiz, O., 20; H. N. T., Morristown, N. J., 4; Dividend, Cooper Insurance Co., Dayton, O., 250; Mrs. E. M. Alrich, Pittsburgh, Pa., 100; Rev. T. Williams, Vernon, N. Y., 10; "H. L. T.," 5; L. C. G., 2; W. H. Lyle, Dandridge, Tenn., 1; "C. L. A.," 30; "C.," N. Y., 6; C. H. M., N. J., 1 17; Religious Contribution Society, Princeton Seminary, 7 40.

Total for January, 1886..... \$8,682 94
 Total since April, 1885..... 58,824 17

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BOARD OF AID FOR COLLEGES AND ACADEMIES.

Cannot those pastors who have decided that they will not try to bring their people this year into co-operation with this branch of our Church's work be persuaded to change that decision? If there were any aspect of this movement in which it is not vindicated, it might be right to withhold assistance. It was feared, for example, that the West would sit still and let the East build her colleges. It is found that the West is ten-fold readier with her means than the East. It has been thought and urged that the state schools would be good enough for our Presbyterian youth, and that if Christian schools were provided, they would not be used. It is found that in the new Christian schools *which this Board has helped to open* there are already nearly a thousand students, among whom are forty-three probable candidates for the ministry. But for this Board there is no power on earth that could have developed that probability on the same soil for years to come. Now behind this God-given development a goodly number of our churches are standing, looking with just enthusiasm upon what they have been suffered to do. Will the rest take part with them? Success half pushed may be terrible disaster. What, with reinforcements, would be a sweeping victory, without them may prove a waste of means and lives. Means and lives (see below) have been heroically put into this magnificent advance; but the very advance, with so much of the army far behind, is danger. This work has gone not *down* but *up* into a crisis. We have taken heights which must be held or surrendered. Whichever we do we determine the destiny of this cause for many years. Pastors, who are what you are by virtue so largely of an education made possible by Christian giving, our Church, with God's signal help, is giving Christian education to the eager communities of her children all over the West. She needs the help of every one of you. Can you withhold it? "Freely ye have received; freely give."

A LEAF OF INSIDE HISTORY.

It is commonly thought that the appeal of this Board is made solely to intellect and forecast, and not to feeling. Let the following extracts from recent letters be read. The writer is a Presbyterian minister and professor, dependent upon this Board for a large part of his support.

January 12.—. . . I sit now by the bed of my loved wife, over which life and hope have hung trembling from the first day of this year. Only this day have the heavy shadows lifted. . . . This peril has been the direct fruit of our joint devotion to this service. The poverty and straits [of his institution] have forbidden my drawing a dollar of salary. . . . So that we may live, my wife, always frail at best, but mighty in courage and purpose, has kept boarders. The strain has proved more than nature could sustain. . . . The Church should know the sacrifice, just on the verge of ruin, some of her servants are offering to sustain this agency for Christ.

The secretary was able to send to the writer a special benefaction, reserving the donor's name, which, indeed, the secretary does not know. Shortly after he received the following, enclosing a printed card, "Entered into rest February 1, 1886, —, wife of —. Born August 1, 1842:"

February 3.—Dear Brother Ganse, do you see? . . . Amid the scene I wish to say I do not find words to testify my feeling of your kindness in the remittance. It arrived while consulting physicians were directing the treatment for the last time. Please convey most grateful thanks to the donor. The Lord knows who he is, though I do not.

When the Church's money goes into such a home as that cannot feeling go with it?

Will the Master rule that case out when he comes to say, "Ye did it unto me"? Similar personal privation is not uncommon among our teachers. The writing of the last three lines was interrupted by the receipt of two letters from other writers, either of which ought to move the sympathy of the Church. But that fresh grave! and the sacrifice not "on the verge of ruin," but beyond it! Shall such a lesson be lost?

RECEIPTS OF THE BOARD OF AID IN JANUARY, 1886.

BALTIMORE.— <i>Baltimore</i> —Broadway, 4. <i>Washington City</i> —Washington 1st, 8 98; Washington Westminster, 5. 17 98	15. <i>Pittsburgh</i> —Pittsburgh Central, 3. <i>Washington</i> —Wheeling 1st sub-sch., 10. 88 68	
COLORADO.— <i>Boulder</i> —Eastmont, 36	WISCONSIN.— <i>Chippewa</i> —Hudson, 26 13. <i>Lake Superior</i> —Escanaba, 6 48. 32 61	
COLUMBIA.— <i>Oregon</i> —Valmont Portland 1st, 3; Portland St. John's, 1 50. 4 50	PERSONAL DONATIONS.	
ILLINOIS.— <i>airo</i> —Tamaroa, 1. <i>Chicago</i> —Bloom, 5 25; Chicago 2d, 50. 56 25	John W. Dulles, D.D., Philadelphia, 20; W. H. Lyle, Dandridge, Tenn., 1; "C. L. A.," St. Louis Pres., 20; "C. N. Y.," 3... 44 00	
INDIANA.— <i>Indianapolis</i> —Hopewell, 7 55. <i>Logansport</i> —Goodland, 2. <i>Muncie</i> —Wabash, 1 53. <i>New Albany</i> —New Albany 2d, 10 72. 21 80	Total receipts of the Board, Jan., 1886..... \$839 46	
IOWA.— <i>Council Bluffs</i> —Shelby, 5 50	Total receipts since May 1, 1885..... 6982 25	
KANSAS.— <i>Indian Territory</i> —Wheelock, Choctaw Nation, 1 00	Received for transmission (for particulars see statement below of "General College Aid")..... 100 00	
MINNESOTA.— <i>Mankato</i> —Westminster sub-sch., 50. <i>St. Paul</i> —Minneapolis Bethlehem, 2 95. <i>Winona</i> —Winona Ger., 2. 54 95	[NOTE.—Under NEW YORK— <i>Champlain</i> —in last month's statement, "Chateaugay, 2," should have read, "Chazy, 2."]	
MISSOURI.— <i>Osage</i> —Kansas City 2d, 50. <i>Palmyra</i> —Hannibal 1st, 5. <i>Platte</i> —Gallatin, 1. <i>St. Louis</i> —Salem Ger., 1 25. 57 25	CHARLES M. CHARNLEY, Treasurer, 241 S. Water St., Chicago, Ill.	
NEW JERSEY.— <i>Monmouth</i> —Allentown, 10. <i>Morris and Orange</i> —Chatham, 19 08; Chester, 10; Dover, 15 82; Summit Central, 37 65. <i>New Brunswick</i> —Hamilton Square, 16. <i>Newton</i> —Blairstown, 37 49. 146 04	DIRECT DONATIONS.	
NEW YORK.— <i>Albany</i> —Albany State St., 100. <i>Binghamton</i> —Binghamton 1st, 33 05. <i>Buffalo</i> —Buffalo Lafayette St., 4 75; Buffalo Westminster, 11 40. <i>Chemung</i> —Watkins sub-sch., 3. <i>Geneva</i> —Oaks Corner, 6. <i>North River</i> —Cornwall, 5 19. <i>St. Lawrence</i> —Dexter, 1. <i>Steuben</i> —Arkport, 1 22. <i>Utica</i> —Mt. Vernon, 10. 175 61	Made to institutions, under the Board's endorsement, and so acknowledged by the recipients.	
OHIO.— <i>Athens</i> —Athens sub-sch., 5. <i>Cincinnati</i> —Wyoming, 40. <i>Columbus</i> —Columbus 1st, 15 33. <i>St. Clairsville</i> —Bannock, 1; St. Clairsville, 5. 66 33	To Pierre University, Dak.—Elba ch., Pres. Genesee, Synod New York, 11 00	
PACIFIC.— <i>Sacramento</i> —Chico, 5. <i>San Francisco</i> —Oakland 1st, 51 20. <i>San José</i> —Los Gatos, 10 40. 66 60	To German Theological School at Dubuque, Iowa (for its literary department, now known as Van Vliet Collegiate Institute).—Camp Point ch., Pres. Schuyler, Synod Illinois, 10; Greene Ave. ch., Brooklyn, N. Y., 14 55; 5th ch., Cincinnati, O., 20 50. 45 05	
PENNSYLVANIA.— <i>Butler</i> —Harrisville, 3. <i>Clarion</i> —Oil City 2d, 1 70. <i>Erie</i> —Erie Park, 15. <i>Lackawanna</i> —Scranton Washburne St., 9. <i>Lehigh</i> —H-zleton sub-sch., 31 28. <i>Northumberland</i> —Williamsport 1st, 70 cts. <i>Philadelphia Central</i> —Philadelphia Temple, umberland—Williamsport 21, 3 80. <i>Pittsburgh</i> —Forest Grove, 5. 16 82	To Oakdale Seminary, Neb.—D. Holliday, 25; Geo. S. Brown, 100; Jas. A. Gairy, 25; H. D. Harney, 100; L. M. Eastman, M.D., 5; A. S. Abell, 15; J. A. Dixou, 5; A. B. Morton, 5; F. Davidson, 5; Mrs. H. Abbott, 5; G. Henderson, 3; Central ch., 17 20—all in Baltimore, Md. 310 22	
	Total..... \$366 27	
	Total of direct donations since May 1, 1885, 2103 27	

ADDITIONAL MONTHLY STATEMENT OF GENERAL COLLEGE AID.

[Any aid of Presbyterian colleges or academies, other than that provided by this Board, will, upon official information, be reported to the Church in this statement.]

Transmitted in January, 1886, through Mr. Charnley, treasurer of this Board.—To Westminster College, Fulton, Mo., from 2d ch., Kansas City, Mo., 50; To Wooster University, Ohio, from 1st ch., Columbus, O., 50.

RECEIPTS OF THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE, JAN., 1886.

BALTIMORE.— <i>Washington City</i> —Washington City 1st, 4 09	1st. <i>Northumberland</i> —Williamsport 21, 3 80. <i>Pittsburgh</i> —Forest Grove, 5. 16 82	
ILLINOIS.— <i>Chicago</i> —Chicago 4th, 25. <i>Peoria</i> —Grace ch., 2. 27 00	Total for January, 1886..... \$101 88	
NEW JERSEY.— <i>Morris and Orange</i> —Chester, 5 00	Total since May, 1885..... \$1641 78	
NEW YORK.— <i>Lyons</i> —Palmyra, 11 36. <i>New York</i> —Brick ch., in part, 17 61. <i>Syracuse</i> —Fayetteville, 10. <i>Utica</i> —Westminster, 10. 48 97	DAVID M. STIGER, Treasurer, 58 Barclay St., New York city.	
PENNSYLVANIA.— <i>Clarion</i> —Oil City 2d, 8 02. <i>North-</i>	W. Y. BROWN, D.D., Corresponding Secretary.	

ECCLESIASTICAL RECORD TO FEBRUARY 1, 1886.

PASTORAL RELATIONS DISSOLVED.

- Rev. George W. Bean and the church of Sunbury, Pa., by the Presbytery of Butler, Dec. 24, 1835.
- Rev. Wm. T. Carr and Siloam Church, Elizabeth, N. J., by the Presbytery of Elizabeth, Jan. 19, 1836.
- Rev. Joseph H. France, D.D., and the church of Lowville, N. Y., by the Presbytery of Utica, Jan. 26, 1836.
- Rev. John Gillespie, D.D., and Westminster Church, Elizabeth, N. J., by the Presbytery of Elizabeth, Jan. 19, 1836.
- Rev. W. H. Millham and the church of Livonia, N. Y., by the Presbytery of Rochester.
- Rev. J. R. Mitchell and the Fifth Church of Indianapolis, Ind.
- Rev. A. A. Murphy and the church of Port Carbon, Pa., by the Presbytery of Lehigh, Jan. 1836.
- Rev. John Scarlet and the Amwell United First Church, N. J., by the Presbytery of New Brunswick, Jan. 4, 1836.
- Rev. Robert Street and the church of Connecticut Farms, N. J., by the Presbytery of Elizabeth, Jan. 19, 1836, after a pastorate of fifty years.
- Rev. P. F. Sutphen and the Third Church, Elizabeth, N. J., by the Presbytery of Elizabeth, Jan. 19, 1836.

CALLS ACCEPTED.

- Rev. R. A. Carnahan to the Union Church of St. Peter, Minn.
- Rev. Robert B. Clark to the church of Goshen, N. Y.
- Rev. Arthur Cushing Dill to the church of Mount Freedom, N. J.
- Rev. Thomas Gordon to the First Church of Middletown, N. Y.
- Richard D. Harlan to the First Church, New York City.
- Rev. T. F. Jessup to the First Church of Joliet, Ills.
- Rev. J. B. Fleming to the church of Sparta, Ills.
- Rev. A. H. Jolly to the church of Alexandria, Pa.
- Rev. W. H. Millham to the church of Hillsdale, Mich.
- Rev. David Mitchell to the Third Church of Jersey City, N. J.
- Rev. J. R. Mitchell to the First Church of Findlay, O.
- Francis D. Smiley to the Wharton Street Church, Philadelphia, Pa.
- Rev. T. L. Waldo to the church at East Pembroke, N. Y.
- Rev. David Wills, Jr., to the Spring Garden Church, Philadelphia, Pa.

ORDINATIONS AND INSTALLATIONS.

- Mr. George C. Frost was ordained and installed over the church of Three Rivers, Mich., by the Presbytery of Kalamazoo, Dec. 29, 1835.
- Rev. John S. Gilmer over the church of Stony Point, by the Presbytery of Hudson, Dec. 29, 1835.
- Rev. D. M. Hazlett over the church of Asbury, N. J., by the Presbytery of Newton, Jan. 14, 1836.
- Rev. John Kirkpatrick over the Westminster Church, Philadelphia, Pa., by the Presbytery of Philadelphia, Jan. 25, 1836.
- Mr. T. E. Lewis was ordained, and installed over the church of Chesterville, O., by the Presbytery of Mari-^{on}, Dec. 29, 1835.
- Rev. W. H. McCaughey over the Second Mantua Church, Philadelphia, Pa., by the Presbytery of Philadelphia Central, Jan. 14, 1836.
- Rev. E. R. Murgatroyd over the church of Independence, Oregon, by the Presbytery of Oregon, Dec. 15, 1835.
- Rev. John D. Owen over the church of Yellow Creek, O., by the Presbytery of Steubenville, Jan. 17, 1836.
- Rev. Wm. A. Rice over the Fourth Church, Syracuse, N. Y., by the Presbytery of Geneva, Jan. 12, 1836.
- Rev. S. R. Scofield over the church of Strasburg, Pa., by the Presbytery of Westminster, Dec. 22, 1835.
- Rev. J. B. Umberger over White Clay Creek Church, Newark, Del., by Presbytery of New Castle, Nov. 5, 1835.

POST-OFFICE ADDRESSES CHANGED.

- Rev. T. C. Armstrong from New Tacoma, Wash. Ter., to Miles City, Mont.
- Rev. W. Boyd from 432 Stevens St. to 422 Benson Street, Camden, N. J.
- Rev. R. M. L. Braden from Greenview, Ills., to Fremont, Neb.
- Rev. John H. Bright from Chanute to Marion, Kansas.
- Rev. W. J. Chichester from Germantown, Philadelphia, Pa., to Los Angeles, Cal.
- Rev. E. W. Childs from Jonesville to Ann Arbor, Mich.
- Rev. James H. Clark from Ellendale to Gary, Dakota.
- Rev. P. S. Davies from Midland, Mich., to Aberdeen, Dak.
- Rev. J. Scott Davis from Grand Tower to Fairfield, Wayne Co., Ills.
- The address of Rev. I. D. Decker is Baldwin, Pa.
- Rev. F. W. Fisher from Portville, N. Y., to Macon City, Mo.
- Rev. Leander Ford from Salida, Col., to Fort Plains, N. Y.
- Rev. Wm. Gay from Clarence to Centre Junction, Jones Co., Iowa.
- Rev. R. M. Hall from Charlotte, N. C., to Plymouth, Ills.
- Rev. Robert C. Hallock from Princeton to Tentenent, Mounmouth Co., N. J.
- Rev. F. Hartig from Orange, N. J., to Jamaica, L. I., N. Y.
- Rev. W. S. Holt from Owatonna, Minn., to 154 Yarnhill Street, Portland, Oregon.
- Rev. W. V. Jeffries address is Malvern, Iowa.
- Rev. A. F. Johnson from Cape May City, N. J., to Bellevue, Ohio.
- Rev. A. H. Jolly from Brady to Alexandria, Pa.
- Rev. W. B. G. Lewis' address is Conklingville, Saratoga Co., N. Y.
- Rev. Samuel L. McAfee from Malvern to Corning, Iowa.
- Rev. R. Lewis McCune from Mercersburg, Pa., to Anita, Cass Co., Iowa.
- Rev. John McMaster from Spencer to Rose, Wayne Co., N. Y.
- Rev. Charles D. Merrill from Centreville to San Lorenzo, Alameda Co., Cal.
- Rev. W. H. Millham from Livonia, N. Y., to Hillsdale, Mich.
- Rev. J. R. Mitchell from Indianapolis, Ind., to Findlay, Ohio.
- Rev. S. B. Neilson from Nevada, Iowa, to Falls City, Neb.
- Rev. Wm. C. Rankin from Fort Madison to Farmington, Iowa.
- Rev. Edgar S. Robinson from Scottdale, Pa., to Ironton, Ohio.
- Rev. J. B. Smith from Monticello, Ind., to Crockett, Houston Co., Texas.
- Rev. J. Ford Sutton, D.D., from Philadelphia, Pa., to 103 East 40th Street, New York City.
- Rev. T. Charles Thomas from Olena to Monroeville, Ohio.
- Rev. Willielm Thomson's address is South Pasadena, Cal.
- Rev. J. B. Umberger from Norristown, Pa., to Newark, Del.
- Rev. T. L. Waldo from Stone Church to East Pembroke, Genesee Co., N. Y.
- Rev. W. M. Wells from Hightstown to Lambertville, N. J.
- Rev. Wm. W. Wetmore from Plymouth to Jonesville, Mich.
- Rev. W. W. Woodend, D.D., from Phillipsburgh to Indiana, Indiana Co., Pa.

DEATHS.

- Rev. John W. Hall, D.D., of the Presbytery of Cincinnati, at Covington, Ky., Jan. 11, 1836, in his 84th year.
- Rev. John H. McMonagle, M.D., of the Presbytery of Philadelphia North, in Philadelphia, Jan. 30, 1836.
- Rev. Albert Van Deusen, of the Presbytery of New York, at Hudson, N. Y., Jan. 10, 1836, aged 33 years.
- Rev. Joseph G. Wilson, of the Presbytery of Iowa, in Kansas City, Jan. 24, 1836.

Ministers are respectfully requested to furnish their changes of address directly to *The Monthly Record*. It is sent to all ministers of the Presbyterian Church, and it is important that their correct addresses should always be in the office.

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AND THE NEGROES.

More than fifteen millions of dollars is now spent annually for Educational purposes by the sixteen Southern States. About five millions of this is applied to Negro education—their full *pro rata* share according to numbers. This amounts to 20 per cent. of the whole tax levy. Massachusetts does no better. Thirty per cent. of the dense, solid Negro ignorance of the past has thus been removed. Yet the 70 per cent. remaining far exceeds the entire Negro population of the country when these efforts were begun.

It is the grand work of our Presbyterian Church, through the LINCOLN UNIVERSITY, to provide men trained under the best Christian influences to give to this resolute and noble endeavor of the Southern States high religious character, with moral worth and force.

It is within the power, and it is the duty, of the State Government to supervise, and to supply the money needed. It is the business of the Church to train and send the men. The machinery devised and provided for this purpose is here. Without such aid as this, which is rendered by the *Lincoln University*, it will not be possible for the State to lift up the masses of the Negroes into a strong Christian manhood.

One hundred men trained here have received ordination in the ministry, and are leading men in all educational centres. There is present and urgent need of more than ten times that number. Supply the means and in 25 years the thousand men needed will be there at their work. Provide the rooms and the support—from \$100 to \$150 a year for each. Approved candidates are waiting. One hundred men a year may be added, till there shall be a thousand in the classes. Then a steady stream of fifty trained men will be our annual supply. At the present rate—(not ten a year)—it will take a hundred years to meet the demand.

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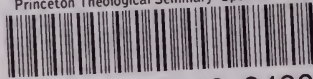
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